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2020/2979/T	M.Dennis	21/07/2020 13:20:29	OBJ	<p>May I register my objection to this Application.</p> <p>This magnolia is a mature tree and remains (as it has always been) a very healthy tree.</p> <p>Previous owners and occupiers of the address have always taken great care to manage the growth of the tree and to keep it in good shape.</p> <p>It is a fine specimen and it adds greatly to the environmental look of the immediate terrace of houses as well as the whole street, to the benefit of residents and the very great number of people who visit the street and walk to and from the Heath. Downshire Hill has been designated as part of the "Belsize Walk" and the Council have place paving slabs along the pavement which promote this fact. The unnecessary removal of this tree would undermine the conservation and environmental purpose of that designation.</p> <p>The single ground for the Application is an insufficient justification for the destruction of such an important tree in a Conservation Area.</p> <p>The felling and complete removal of the tree is a disproportionate response to the issue raised in the Application. It is a common experience that garden walls may be adversely affected by tree growth, however the problem in this case can be readily remedied by modest repair and alteration work to the brickwork and foundation of the wall in the immediate vicinity of the tree. This is straight forward and commonplace work which any responsible house-holder would be expected to undertake in the proper maintenance and repair of their property.</p> <p>The assertion that a suitable tree would be planted as a replacement would appear to be illogical if the basis for the felling application is to be relied upon.</p>
2020/2979/T	Rohan Heath	13/07/2020 16:02:50	COMMNT	<p>Dear Camden. I strongly object to the feeeling of the Magnolia Grandiflora in the garden being felled, especially as we are in a conservation area. This is a beautiful tree, right at the front of the front garden, providing great amenity value for those passing / living nearby. The other day I saw a bat flit into this tree. To lose it would be a tragedy.</p>
2020/2979/T	Patricia Morison	16/07/2020 11:12:12	INT	<p>This tree is a fine specimen of an exotic species, Magnolia grandiflora. It is an important addition to the flora on Downshire Hill.</p> <p>Insufficient reason has been given to remove this fine specimen tree. Downshire Hill attracts many visitors because of its pleasingly green aspect, sloping down to the Heath. Every tree taken down is a real loss to the overall appearance. Unfortunately, in the last 15 years, some fine old trees further up the street have had to be removed further up, because of their disease.</p> <p>Good tree cover means the front gardens at 25-30 have remarkably abundant bird life. In my front garden at 27, I observe dunnocks, thrushes, three species of tits, and blackbirds frequenting these front gardens. Blackbirds nest at 30. This mature evergreen and the holm oak next to it, contribute to making a biodiverse environment.</p>

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