

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2020/3523/T	Lucy Findlay	13/08/2020 16:27:56	OBJ	<p>I write to object to the proposed felling of trees in the front garden of 11 Woodchurch Road.</p> <p>The reasons for objecting are the same as for those given to 2020/3522/T which are repeated below for convenience. The trees in the front garden form an important part of the streetscape in the Conservation Area known as the gardens.</p> <p>In addition it is worth pointing out that there are errors in the application form 2020/3523/T. The description used by Camden is for 3xlime trees, the application form and statement of reasons form refers to "5.We are satisfied that the evidence obtained following completion of our Arboricultural Implication Assessment report completed 29th August 2019 clearly links the T1 Lime as the cause of damage to the risk address" ie they have cut and pasted from the other application form, the arboricultural assessment report refers to TG2 being a single lime (p.5) and on p.8 to 2xlimes. How many lime trees is this application seeking to remove - it is unclear?</p> <p>Reasons for objection:</p> <p>I would like to object to felling (yet another) tree from a front garden in the South Hampstead Conservation Area known as "The Gardens". The arboriculture and engineer's reports point to existence of very small roots in the two exploratory pits (less than 5mm and 1 mm), they state slight damage to the property which is likely to close and open seasonally, they recommend further monitoring be undertaken (it is not clear if this has been done or if further site investigations as per their proposed plan have taken place during 2020).</p> <p>The foundations of all the original buildings in the South Hampstead Conservation Area are known to be very shallow due to underground rivers flowing in the area and heavy clay which is prone to shrinkage with OR without vegetation.</p> <p>It seems a very heavy handed, non reversible action to fell mature trees in order to then see if the slight damage stabilises and what course of action can then be taken. It is perhaps also worth considering whether in fact the recent major renovation works and tree removal at number 7 Woodchurch Road have caused the "slight damage" rather than the tree.</p>