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Sent: 31 March 2021 21:10

To: Planning

Subject: 2021/1128/T proposed tree work at 10 Brookfield Park

Dear Planning Officers

Many thanks for your letter dated 16th March.

We are writing to oppose the planned tree works.

Our objection is on the following grounds:

- this is a valuable, mature tree which contributes to the urban park feel of our area, which is protected as a conservation area

- the tree provides significant shade to a number of gardens. Shading from trees makes an important contribution to mitigating the impacts of climate change. We also appreciate the shade as it enables our children to play in the garden on hot days more safely - most playgrounds are not shaded, so this is a welcome retreat when it is very sunny.

- our block (11-19 Kingswear Road) is already suffering from ground movement - we have cracks so large (>1cm) that chunks of plaster are falling off the walls. As our freeholder, Camden is likely to need to do substantial remedial work to the whole block. Our concern is that the removal of a mature tree so close to the block would make the ground movement worse, and potentially increase the risk of significant structural damage, for which Camden would be financially responsible.

- in addition, the tree is home to much wildlife, especially birds and squirrels, being the largest tree in this stretch of gardens, and its removal would likely have a negative impact on biodiversity.

We look forward to hearing from you once this application has been reviewed.

Many thanks and best wishes

Fran Bury and Dominic Kendrick