From: Antony White
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To: Planning
Cc: Kate Macfarlane
Subject: Application ref:2021/2246/T - proposed works to tree in a conservation area - 71 Arlington Rd

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the notification letter dated 11 May 2021 informing us of the proposed felling of the mature ash tree in the garden of 71 Arlington Road, NW1 7ES.

We are the owners an occupiers of the neighbouring property at 69 Arlington Road, where we have lived since 1990.

We strongly object to the proposed felling of the tree. It is a fine mature ash tree and one of a small number of mature trees separating the gardens at the rear of the Arlington Road and Albert Street terraces. These trees form an essential part of the attractive garden environment characteristic of the area, and provide a vital green screen between the two terraces of houses. The trees provide essential habitat and are home to many birds, squirrels and other wildlife. In addition it is well known that many of our ash trees are dying from ash die-back disease whereas this is a healthy mature specimen. It would be a great pity to destroy it when the species is in decline.

Yours faithfully,

Antony White and Kate Macfarlane

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