

From:
Sent: 29 June 2021 11:38
To: Planning
Subject: Tree at 31 Maud Wilkes Close NW5 2QG

Dear Sirs,

Your application reference:
2021/2528/T Garden of 31 Maud Wilkes Close

I have received your notification regarding the proposed felling of a tree in the garden of the above property.

I should tell you that, as a nearby householder, I am entirely in favour of this tree being removed. The tree in question is a self-seeded sycamore of no particular merit, already quite large and inevitably destined to grow steadily larger over time. There are already two very large trees near to it, one actually within this same garden of 31 Maud Wilkes Close and the other in the adjoining garden of 29 Leighton Road. Both these provide ample cover for birds and squirrels, and the presence of a third one is not only redundant; it is actually detrimental to the general health of this enclave of gardens in a conservation area.

The owner of 31 Maud Wilkes Close tells me that, on the removal of this redundant sycamore, his intention would be to plant one or two smaller trees in its place - such as a hawthorn and a flowering cherry, both of which would be far more generally hospitable to the wild life inhabitants and insects of the garden.

Yours truly,

Gillian Tindall FRSL, President of LAMAS