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To: Planning

Subject: TPO on Weeping Willow Tree please at UCS in Froggnal in a Conservation Area.

To the Tree Planning Officer Regarding the Planning Application 2021/3165/T.

I urge you to please place a Tree Preservation Order on this magnificent, last remaining Weeping Willow at University College School.

The school has already felled 9 weeping willow trees simply to supply a few parking spaces within their grounds!



This is particularly concerning given that the school is situated above the River Westbourne! Without the 9 Willows to soak up the underground water, the basement of the main school building has been flooding on a regular basis and this happened yet again last Monday, July 12th.

We urgently need to preserve as many Weeping Willows and Poplar trees as possible, to soak up the rain water that runs underground downhill from Hampstead Heath.

The tree appears very sturdy and healthy, so it is difficult to understand that it could fall down or be dangerous.

It has withstood many severe storms in recent years.

I look forward to receiving your opinion on this matter and I do hope you deem a TPO to be necessary and appropriate in this case.

Ref:

“University College School Frognal London NW3 6XH

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Willow (T15) - Fell to ground level and grind out stump.

Application number: 2021/3165/T

Application type: Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area”.

Kind regards,
Janet Gompertz.