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**Sent:** 16 December 2021 11:31

To: Nick Bell Cc: Planning

**Subject:** Planning application 2021/5770/T

19 Church Row, London NW3 6UP

December 16th 2021

Dear Nick Bell,

## Planning application 2021/5770/T

According to the Planning portal, comments on this application closed the day before the application was launched. So I assume that it is in order to write to you by email.

The two beautiful old trees which are the object of this application have been a dominant feature of the landscape in this corner of the conservation area for many, many years. They make a key contribution to the local landscape and ecology. They are visible not only from all the surrounding residential properties but from St John's churchyard and Frognal Way. We would urge the Council to attach strict conditions to any grant of permission to prune as to ensure that both the scale of the work – which looks worryingly radical – and its timing (making sure that the work is done during the winter to minimize risk of disease) will not adversely affect the health of these magnificent trees. They are part of the heritage of the Conservation area.

Sincerely,

Nicola Lacey and David Soskice

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