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2022/0419/T	Laila Hackforth-Jones	09/02/2022 15:00:45	NOBJ	<p>I have witnessed the damage these trees are doing to the fabric of this historic building for some years. There can be no justification for allowing them continue to destroy the back wall. Plane trees so close to buildings are a menace.</p> <p>I am very aware that we need trees in the environment however the planting of younger and appropriate replacements, as is planned, would address the issue of carbon capture .</p> <p>I fully support this application.</p>
2022/0419/T	Hugh Varilly	09/02/2022 17:25:30	SUPPRT	<p>I strongly support this application. The trees in their present condition and position are seriously threatening the library and buildings of the Egypt Exploration Society, which is located in the mews house at the foot of Number 8's garden.</p> <p>For over a century, this illustrious Society, of which I am a member, has made, and continues to make, major contributions to the field of Egyptology both nationally and internationally, and its present location is very convenient, being close to UCL and its world renowned Petrie Museum of Egyptology. If damage to the buildings continues the Society will doubtless be significantly distracted from its important work by the need and cost of taking remediation action and, potentially, may be forced to move elsewhere.</p>

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2022/0419/T	Graham Ford	09/02/2022 17:00:08	OBJ	<p>Re Planning Application 2022/0419/T, 3 Feb 2022: 8 Doughty Street London WC1N 2PI</p> <p>9 February 2022.</p> <p>Once again we strongly object to this application, which was previously rejected in 2020/2021. I note that a TPO was served in response to the last application.</p> <p>The reasons we gave previously are as relevant today as they were two years ago and are summarised below:</p> <p>We own a flat at the top of a house which is situated very close to the South East of the threatened trees. We have owned the flat for more than twenty five years.</p> <p>We have no garden of our own, but we overlook the trees which are a great source of joy and interest to us, our children and our grandchildren who visit and stay on a regular basis all year round.</p> <p>The trees provide a connection with the natural world at all seasons of the year, with changing and constantly moving foliage, they are a focus and a haven for birds and other wildlife.</p> <p>The trees themselves play a significant role in improving the air quality locally, generating oxygen and removing carbon dioxide, toxins and particulate pollution. This is important for all, but particularly for children living in the area.</p> <p>The trees also provide shade and help to cool the air in summer. This is important as the higher floors of nearby buildings can get extremely hot as there is no other shade. Natural cooling and improvement of air quality will become increasingly important in the future as we all begin to experience climate change, particularly in Central London.</p> <p>There appear to be several engineering solutions to the minor problems of cracking plaster in Doughty Mews which would enable the retention of these veteran trees which are more than one hundred and fifty years old, and cannot be replaced.</p> <p>It is well known that removal of large trees causes changes to soil structure and ground moisture content, which can lead to shrinkage of subsoil, and consequent movement of the foundations of nearby buildings. If killed, the tree roots will eventually decay causing more movement.</p> <p>The trees are in a conservation area. Conservation should surely be about retaining and maintaining those things that are valuable in an area, not about removing them for a short term advantage.</p>
2022/0419/T	Martin Hetherington	09/02/2022 17:59:02	NOBJ	<p>I strongly agree that this work should be done in order to protect the surrounding buildings. I would hope that younger trees would be planted to provide environmental benefits without the structural damage the current trees are doing.</p>

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