From: Oscar Ford

**Sent:** 18 February 2022 10:08

To: Planning

Subject: Objection 2022/0419/T

Dear Sir / Madam,

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I am writing to object to the proposed felling of the beautiful London Plane trees behind 8 Doughty St.

Whilst I do not live in the area, I do visit and stay at 6 Doughty St. several times a year and it is always a pleasure to see the trees and hear the birds that inhabit the area. It would be such a shame for those who are lucky enough to live near these established trees and the wildlife to lose that, and the sense of time and seasons that the trees bring to the area.

My partner is a paediatric nurse who worked at Great Ormond Street Hospital for a number of years. When on the occasions that she was able to take a break during a demanding shift, she and other clinicians would retreat to the east facing roof terrace, to decompress and recuperate from the demands of the job before returning to the ward. Just two streets away, these tall trees in direct line of sight and elevated above the rooftops brings nature to them and surely helps relieve stress, enabling them to provide the best possible care to the children in the hospital.

I hope that a solution can be found that avoids damage to the buildings closest to the trees whilst retaining the trees and the benefits that they bring to the residents and visitors of the local area for generations to come.

Kind regards,

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