

**From:** Fabian Webb Brown  
**Sent:** 04 March 2022 16:28  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** Objection 2022/0419/T

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to once again share my objection to the proposed felling of the two large London Plane Trees located at 8 Doughty Street.

I had previously written to object to this proposition and am disappointed to see that a further attempt has been made to gain approval to fell these trees without having properly addressed the points of objection and alternative solutions that were raised during the previous application.

A local community group has obtained advice from a leading structural engineer and a tree expert who report that the damage is minor and non-urgent to fix, and this is in agreement with detail from the applicant's own structural engineering report. Alternative solutions to the problem have been identified but not adequately explored by the applicant prior to re-applying for the approval to fell these trees.

It would be a mistake to remove the trees now, when a plan is being formulated to enable the trees and nearby buildings to co-exist in harmony. They offer benefits to the environment, both aesthetically and physically by reducing air pollution in the area. They are a habitat for birds and other wildlife, and trees of this size and age are extremely unusual in central London; to fell them would be a monumental loss.

Having grown up with these trees, and seeing them regularly when returning to my childhood home where my mother still lives, I feel very strongly that these trees should not be removed.

Kind regards,

Fabian Webb Brown, former resident of 8 Doughty Street