

**From:** S E  
**Sent:** 11 June 2022 13:14  
**To:** Planning; TreeSection; David Houghton  
**Subject:** Application No: 2022/2488/T

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to enquire about the above application for intended works on trees in the Bartholomew Conservation Area. With regards to the identification and description of works, we would like to comment that most tenants in the surrounding properties do appreciate the environmental and aesthetic value of this tree, and do not agree with the alleged complaints of its size, as stated in the application form.

The tree proposed for a canopy reduction benefits the entire neighbourhood, not just one private residence. As part of a conservation area, it is a landmark that sets the tone of the block. It has aesthetic value that contributes to the economic value of our real estate and our enjoyment of our backyards. The contrast in the appearance of this and its neighbouring trees together creates a beautiful silhouette that is interesting to watch, especially in the winter, and the wind through its branches during the rest of the seasons is soothing to hear. It provides an economic service by giving wildlife shelter and a green belt to traverse between properties and other trees. Green trees improve air quality that is a problem we all face in Camden borough and should be a priority for the borough to protect, and a priority for a Conservation Area.

The decision to cut the trees by 3-4 meters seems excessive, and affects everyone around the property. We would welcome the opportunity to explore how the crown reduction may be reduced to less than 1-2 meters, as proposed in similar tree works in the area, while meeting the needs of the property owner.

Finally, can you kindly clarify which property owner is responsible for this application? As 49 Caversham hosts different apartments, and this section of the garden may have private access by only one or some of these apartments, it would be to confirm whether its owners are the ones submitting the application or the leaseholder association.

Kind regards,

Stephen