

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2023/0700/T	Chris Rennoldson	04/03/2023 14:12:32	OBJ	<p>We strongly oppose the proposed felling of this bay tree. It enjoys a prominent position on West End Lane at the corner of Sumatra Road. It can be seen from over 100 metres to the North and South along West End Lane. It is notable for being the only large tree that is visible along this stretch of West End Lane; felling it would be damaging to the character of the West Hampstead conversation area.</p> <p>As residents in the block adjacent to the tree, we benefit from the shade, shelter and privacy that the tree provides and would be devastated to lose this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Since the tree is situated between our flat and the busy traffic on West End Lane, it provides us with privacy from being overlooked, and provides shelter for our family from the traffic noise and pollution from West End Lane. - As West End Lane is a major bus route, the shelter that the tree provides is particularly important, given the noise from the buses and HGVs that regularly drive past, and the potential to be overlooked by passengers travelling in the top deck of the buses. - The tree also provides welcome shade from the sun. This is particularly welcome during the summer to keep our flat cool, as we are reluctant to open windows which face directly out on to the busy road due to the noise and pollution that this creates in our flat. <p>Felling trees is completely at odds with council policy and the council's responsibility to show leadership in protecting our local environment. If the application to fell this tree is allowed to proceed, this would be contrary to Camden Council's commitments to reduce the impact that the local traffic and construction pollution has on our community under its Clean Air Action Plan.</p>

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