

Reasons for proposed tree works at 7 Broadlands Close, London, N6 4AF

- 7 Broadlands Close is part of a terrace consisting of 8 houses. The Scots Pine sits directly in front of number 7, approximately 1.8 meters from the front door. The tree sways significantly during windy weather and, as a result of its close proximity to the house and the terrace, is unsafe. Any movement or subsidence will compromise the terrace as each house is linked structurally.
- The tree towers over the house and requires regular management. The branches hang over the roof and need tree works to stop them from coming into physical contact with the roof, walls, gutters and windows. The branches also interfere with the neighbour's houses. The tree works are expensive and are an unending necessity, given that the trees is located so close to the terrace.
- The Scots Pine sits directly in front of my house and drops needles and cones year round making it hazardous for elderly friends and family members who come to visit. My Mother has already had a slip on the fallen pine cones outside of the front door.
- The terrace is built upon clay soil, typical of the area. In summer the garden, front and back, becomes rock solid and in winter it's either a quagmire or frozen over. The ground surrounding the tree has dropped and cracks have already appeared in the paving encircling the tree. The doors at the front of the house are now sticking.
- Due to the house being located in a terrace and the tree being so near to the terrace it could result, especially with the current extreme weather, in subsidence to the neighbouring houses for which I will be responsible for. It is the only tree in the street that is precariously placed so close to the front elevation of the houses.

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