

James Argles

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Dear Clare and Alex

I object to the lifting of the TPO on the tree.

- An oak tree provides nurturing space for over 2,300 species of life providing a vital wildlife resource and is a source of CO 2 carbon capture .
- It takes 156 new trees to replace one mature Oak tree.
- In a climate and ecological emergency such as we are experiencing right now (ie the 6th mass extinction , the Holocene) the careful consideration of any removal of trees most specifically in this case as a TPO exists

The arb. report points the finger at an oak tree as contributing to 1mm of movement .

The link between subsidence and tree roots is not fully established , and where trees have pre -existed to houses, heave may occur as a consequence of tree felling.

What is established is greedy insurance companies who always want the cheap option.

The Insurance company needs to review the underpinning of 2009 , also it occurs to me that the side extension may have been poorly/ cheaply/ hastily built. I certainly recall the extension being hastily built.

We have had 2 summers of drought (Climate crisis) which can affect clay movement etc

'When looking at clay subsidence there are so many variable issues, such as the type of clay, the depth of foundations, climatic conditions, underground water sources and slope of site that it is ever going to be possible to say conclusively that removal of trees alone is the problem. All these factors should be checked before a tree is needlessly felled.' SHIFT

The past work also needs to be assessed : please see below:

TECHNICAL REPORT 27 Woodfield Way " In addition, a claim should be lodged under the ASUC Underpinning Guarantee **in the event that further site investigations find that the previous underpinning was not carried out correctly to specification.**"

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The movement needs to be further monitored and an independent arboricultural report needs to be commissioned, as a second opinion.

"Ancient trees are precious. There is little else on Earth that plays host to such a rich community of life within a single living organism."

Sir David Attenborough

Haringey , after the ignominy of the Finsbury Park destruction by the 'Tough Mudders' and the Orwellian tactics around the Plane tree, both of which hit the national news , then surely Haringey needs to be part of the solution not the problem.

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