

**From:** Carol Shadbolt  
**Sent:** 17 September 2026 10:10  
**To:** Planning Customer Care Team  
**Cc:** Daniel Monk  
**Subject:** URGENT: 5-Day Notice for Dangerous Tree in Conservation Area - 24 Wood Lane, N6 5UB

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Dear Planning Team and Arboricultural Officers,

RE: 5-Day Emergency Notice for the removal of a dangerous Silver Birch tree in a Conservation Area

I am writing on behalf of my client to give formal 5-working-days notice of emergency tree works at their property. We are Neil Shadbolt Tree Surgery LTD, acting as the appointed agent for the resident at [24 Wood Lane, London, N6 5UB.

A Silver Birch tree located at the front of the property has suffered severe structural failure and poses an imminent danger to life and property.

As professional arborists, we have assessed the tree and found the following critical defects:

- \* A heavy structural lean at a 45-degree angle directed entirely towards the client's house, driveway, and garage.
- \* A severe, through-and-through split at the base of the trunk, extending approximately 2 feet upwards. You can see completely through the stem.
- \* The canopy is in a state of rapid decline, and the tree is actively creaking in the wind, indicating that catastrophic failure is imminent.

The immediate target areas if this tree fails are the house, driveway, and garage.

Please find the application details below:

- \* Site Address: 24 Wood Lane, London, N6 5UB
- \* Tree Location on Site: Front of the property
- \* Tree Species: Silver Birch
- \* Proposed Work: Urgent felling to ground level to mitigate the immediate risk of collapse.

I have attached clear photographs documenting the 45-degree lean, the declining canopy, and close-ups showing the split through the base of the trunk.

Due to the extreme risk of the tree collapsing onto the property, we intend to schedule the felling as soon as the 5-working-day notice period expires, or sooner if the council grants written permission. We have advised the client of their legal obligation under the Town and Country Planning Act to plant an appropriate replacement tree on the site.

Please acknowledge receipt of this email and confirm the start date of the 5-day notice window. If a Tree Officer needs to inspect the site, please contact me immediately on the details below.

Yours sincerely,

Carol

Neil Shadbolt Tree Surgery LTD

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