Outlook

118 Old Lansdowne Road Manchester M20 2NY - 142252/TCA/2025

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Good afternoon John

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The applicant has proposed to remove Lime tree to the front of the property due to drainage issues and wall damage. My comments are as follows:

The tree offers high visual amenity value and is in keeping with the surrounding leafy suburb of Didsbury.

The information submitted by the customer regarding the blocked drain is unfortunate, however, it would appear that efforts to rectify this issue are well underway (if not already complete) and therefore the drains are no longer going to be impacted by the tree.

Regarding the leaning wall, I am not a structural engineer, but there are several ways to resolve this issue, including the removal of a section of the wall or removing an internal layer of brick to allow the tree to expand without applying pressure to the wall.

From an arboricultural standpoint, we would like to see this TPO worthy tree retained and would request that all efforts are made to ensure this is possible.

Let me know your thoughts, John.

Please note, I appreciate it may not be possible to avoid the wall damage and you, and the planning team may need to take a decision on this one, but we would hope that the customer would be open to avoiding the removal of this tree if possible.

Kind regards

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