

From: Ruthe Davies
Sent: 19 October 2021 17:34
To: Peter Pitkin
Subject: RE: 21/05071/TCO, 60 Fountainhall Road.

Good afternoon Mr Pitkin,

My apologies for the delayed response to your email. I have assessed this application this week, which included a site visit. While the tree works are not fully justified, it is a well-treed area and the impact of the works on public amenity will not be too significant. Given the constraints on time and resources available to our team, I have decided not to make a tree preservation order in this instance.

Regards,
Ruthe Davies
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Householders & Trees | Planning & Building Standards | Sustainable Development | Place Directorate | The City of Edinburgh Council

From: Peter Pitkin <trees@grangeassociation.com>
Sent: 10 October 2021 16:02
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Dear Ruthe/Ellen,

I should like to draw your attention to the proposal in this notification to fell the eucalyptus. This is a striking and very substantial tree of at least 60ft, likely to grow significantly larger (the Google Streetview image makes it appear much smaller than it actually is). I do not know which Eucalyptus sp.

Whether eucalypts are in keeping with the character of the conservation area is questionable. There are relatively few spaces even within the larger gardens where they can be allowed to grow unhindered. At least when seen from the street, this one appears to have just about enough space. It does come close to the neighbouring house but its spread could be reduced in that direction without detracting greatly from its appearance.

Whatever my own reservations, it is a notable feature that contributes the texture of the victorian landscape, which depends on the trees for much of its character. So on behalf of the Grange Association I would ask that you give this proposal particular attention. We would not object to the removal of the other trees that it is proposed to fell.

Thanks.

Best regards,

P.P.

Peter Pitkin, on behalf of the Grange Association.