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Mr & Mrs A R Tomkinson

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Congleton.

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Ref Tree preservation order 56-267 at 59 Park Lane, Congleton -T1.

Dear Sir/Madam

My wife and I would like it known that we object the above preservation order on the grounds that the above tree causes us untold misery every year. I have lived at my present address for the past 35 years and enjoyed gardening and don't object to trees in general but large Sycamore trees are totally unsuitable for a hedgerow indeed we once had a lovely boundary hedge but due to the growth of this tree it is destroying the hedge. We have several other Sycamore trees growing in adjacent gardens due to this tree shedding sycamore seeds and also there is a large Sycamore in the garden of 68 Edinburgh Road. So I don't see your officer's point that it adds to the amenity of the area. I couldn't think of a worse tree to add to the amenity. We have now lost the use of the top half of my garden due to this tree, where I used to grow fruit and vegetables indeed I won several prizes with my show gooseberries and vegetables and also had a greenhouse. As the tree has grown none of this is any longer possible. Indeed I have had to get rid of my greenhouse.

In the amenity Evaluation checklist it states that the tree in question is visible from the Parklands this I find very difficult to believe as it would be obscured by the large Poplar trees and large Sycamore in the garden of 68 Edinburgh Road.

Also dispute the fact that birds or bats nest or roost in the tree. For bats to roost the tree would have to have some hollows or defects from fallen branches this is not the case.

I disagree with the Officers comments in section 9 Management.

I disagree with comments in Section 13 Supplementary information that the removal of the tree in my opinion the tree isn't adding to the historic character of the area and cannot even be seen from Park lane, I know for a fact the tree grew from a seedling inside a derelict greenhouse belonging to previous tenants of 59 Park Lane.

Please listen to my objections and give me and my neighbour at 62 Edinburgh Road our once lovely gardens back.

Yours sincerely

Mr A R Tomkinson