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Dear Ms Brewer

Tree Preservation Order 2012 (1 Devonshire Place Bath No 271)

We write on behalf of the Management Company representing the interests of the residents and freeholders of 1 Devonshire Place, with regards to the TPO No 271. It is our view that the trees in question add nothing to the visual amenity of the area, and while this could be improved were the trees to be judiciously trimmed and shaped, we have considerable concerns about the possible impact the roots of the trees are having, and will have, on the drainage and sewerage pipes serving the building.

There is a history of drainage problems relating to, in particular, the ground floor flat, and past indications are that these problems may be a direct result of tree roots impeding the flow away from the building. We would like to be assured that were the TPO to be given permanent status (something we would not support), this would in no way stand in the way of our seeking a permanent solution to the drainage issues.

Please keep me informed of any further developments in this regard.

Yours Sincerely

Richard Jones (Secretary)
Colette Mallon (Chair)