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# Tree injunction gets accepted



Tree campaigners welcomed the ruling

A community of environmental campaigners are "relieved and delighted" a 123-year-old plane tree has been saved once again from council chainsaws.

Haringey Council had been planning to fell the tree in Oakfield Road, Stroud Green, this month, saying it risks a claim of more than £400,000 if it is not cut down.

Two insurance companies believe it is causing subsidence to two nearby houses, but Judge Dan Squires upheld an injunction brought by the owner of one of the houses, Andrew Brenner, against the council at a remote hearing.

A judicial review hearing has now been set to be heard in the High Court on March 29.

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The latest development marks a reprieve after the council tried to bring an earlier injunction against Haringey Tree Protectors LTD and Persons Unknown in December to stop protests around the tree so it could be felled.

That was due to be decided at Clerkenwell County Court on March 15 - but the council took possession of the tree "in a show of force" three days earlier amid disputed claims protesters were trying to occupy it.

But in a last minute intervention, Mr Brenner lodged an injunction without giving notice and independently from HTP to stop the tree being felled.

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