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Dear Sirs

Re Basque Cottage, Wrotham Road, Meopham, Gravesend, DA13 0QA
Works to trees in a Conservation Area: to uproot a selection of Cobnut
trees and place the majority around the perimeter of the garden.
T2, T6, T9, T11, T12, T13, T18, T19, T20, T21, T23, T24, T25, T26,
T28 and T31. REF: GR/2024/0518

The Society would wish to object to this application.

It is noted that the trees in question are native Cobnuts historically associated with Kent. The movement of 17 appears as a high number and it is unlikely that many would survive the disturbance.

In the Society's view a number of the trees are significant in the context of the conservation area. This application and the demolition works shown on the submitted plan are clearly related to Planning application GR/2024/0313 (as the title of the drawing indicates) and the removal of the trees would be to allow development to take place.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs P A Lippiatt
Hon. Secretary