

Dear Sirs,

In November 2019 the City of London wisely declared a climate emergency. In light of this, it is imperative that all decisions made at a municipal level be made through the lens of climate mitigation.

I am therefore asking for your action to halt tree removal for sidewalk installation as the default approach to achieving accessible communities. Trees are vital and every effort should be made to preserve them. Instead, I ask that you work with affected communities to find better options. This might include traffic calming, for example, to make streets safer, cut carbon emissions and save the trees that are essential for mitigating climate extremes.

In July 2019, over 1000 youth including my own protested in London's very streets to require climate action here in the Forest City. Let's honour our duty to our children to leave them a livable world and hopefully a cleaner, safer environment. The weight of the world is on their shoulders. Preserve the Sherwood Forest trees and work on a more sensitive design that showcases the city's real commitment to its Declaration of Climate Emergency.

Sincerely,  
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