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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended)

PART OBJECTION TO SECTION 211 NOTICE OF WORKS TO TREE/S IN A CONSERVATION AREA

Address:

**18 Bartholomew Villas
London
NW5 2LL**

Proposal:

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Goat Willow - Fell to ground level.
1 x Bay - Fell to ground level.

The Council has considered your notification of intended works to trees dated 11 May 2023 and decided to **OBJECT** to the following work:

FRONT GARDEN: 1x Goat Willow - Fell to ground level

Reasons for objection:

- 1 The early mature willow tree has been maintained by crown reduction. The willow tree is closer to the highway than the bay tree resulting in heightened public visibility when compared to the bay tree. The tree is highly visible from the public realm and contributes to the character and appearance of the conservation area.
There are similarly sized trees and shrubs in the front gardens of other properties along this side of Bartholomew Villas which adds to the verdant character and continuity along front gardens. If the willow tree were to be removed there would be a large gap in the vegetation which would be harmful to

the character and appearance of the conservation area.

The documents submitted with the s.211 notification allege that both trees are contributing to property damage. The evidence is considered inconclusive; no level monitoring or crack monitoring data to demonstrate seasonal movement has been included with the submission.

The notification has been part granted/part refused and a tree preservation be served to protect the amenity the willow tree provides and the character and appearance of the conservation area.

A Tree Preservation Order has been served on the tree/s and no work should be carried out without the prior consent of the Council.

However, the Council would not have any objection to the carrying out of the following works:

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Bay - Fell to ground level

Informative(s):

- 1 This notice is valid for 2 years from the date of this letter or until the work is completed, which ever is the sooner.
- 2 You are advised that the appropriate standards for tree work are set out in BS 3998: 2010. Failure to ensure that the proposed works are carried out to these standards may result in damage to the tree(s) and may result in legal action by the Council.
- 3 Please note that any approval given by the Council does not give an exemption from the requirements to comply with the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), or any other Acts offering protection to wildlife. Of particular note is the protection offered to bats, birds and their nests from construction works. For further information contact Natural England on 0300 060 3900 or www.naturalengland.org.uk.

Yours faithfully



Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer

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