

Delegated Report

Officer

Tom Little

Application Number(s)

2023/2035/T

Application Address

80 Camden Road
NW1 9DU

Proposal(s)

Recommendation(s):

No Objection to Works to Tree(s) in CA

Application Type:

Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area

Consultations

Adjoining Occupiers:	No. notified	12	No. of responses	1	No. of objections	0
Summary of consultation responses:	<p>We are in agreement with the proposed felling close to ground level of two Cypress trees (T4 and T5 in Table extracted from Arboricultural Assessment Report of 24/1/23 - see copies attached) • We are also in agreement with the felling and treatment of tree stumps of the Virginia Creeper (C1 in Table attached) • We do not agree that there is a need to treat the tree stump of the jasmine (C2 in Table). We request that the existing dead matter up the roofline at the rear of 80 Camden Road be safely removed, since it now separated from the plant, which can continue to be maintained and kept at a normal level, as other garden plants. N.B. Regarding Tree Work Constraints, as mentioned in the Tables extracted from the Report, given the scale of works proposed, we are firmly opposed to any removal of trunk sections, vegetation or debris via "access through the building", on the following grounds: • The property is old with extremely narrow and limited access to Camden Road • Access through the building will pose disruption, and possible damage, to the premises • Access through the building will pose a health and wellbeing risk by increasing stress and disruption for elderly residents, who are vulnerable pensioners, and have longstanding medical/heart-related ailments and conditions. Such an effect could be classed as a breach of Health & Safety Guidelines as well as human rights. Given the above, we request the Council to notify our landlord, One Housing Group of the above objections, with a view to alternative solutions proposed. We would suggest an alternative plan for access, either via 1) Regent Canal, which is adjacent to the properties, by means of a barge or floating platform (as for other canal-related access work) or 2) Lawfords Wharf, the adjoining development at the rear of 80 Camden Road, since this has both street access and space for parking of vehicles and equipment to safe disposal of sections of tree and associated vegetation</p>					
CAAC/Local groups* comments: *Please Specify	None					

Assessment

The trees have low visibility from the public realm, are not particularly large or noteworthy examples of their species and not of any known cultural or historic value. While the allegations of their involvement are not supported by sufficient evidence the presence of damage nearby further undermines the expediency of serving a TPO.

It is not considered to be expedient to bring the tree under the protection of a TPO.