

Delegated Report

Officer

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Application Number(s)

2023/2201/T

Application Address

1 Belsize Park, London NW3 4ET

Proposal(s)

FRONT GARDEN:
1 x 'Wild Damson' - Fell to ground level.

Recommendation(s):

Grant works to Tree(s) in CA

Application Type:

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

Consultations

Adjoining Occupiers:

No. notified

25

No. of responses

1

No. of objections

1

Summary of consultation responses:

One objection was received, as follows:
'tree to be felled appears to be a mature tree, highly visible from the street. No reason is given for the felling, which would be detrimental to the streetscape.'

CAAC/Local groups* comments:

*Please Specify

One objection from the 'Belsize Society' as detailed above.

Assessment

The S.211 notification is to carry out removal of a seven metre high 'wild damson' tree in the front garden of the private residence, 1 Belsize Park, situated within the Belsize Park Conservation Area. No reason has been given to remove the tree and the legislation around Conservation Area notifications does not require this to be necessary.

It is acknowledged that the tree makes a reasonable contribution to the landscape in the front garden of the property, however, is not considered to be of cultural, historic significance or adding to the character of the conservation area; nor is it a rare or unusual species.

The tree has been reduced previously and apparently poorly managed since, with multiple stems covered in ivy and is of such poor form that it cannot be considered a noteworthy example of its species.

Therefore, it is not expedient for the Council to serve a TPO.