

Delegated Report

Officer

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Application Number(s)

2023/4370/T

Application Address

8 - 9 Long Yard, London WC1N 3LU

Proposal(s)

REAR GARDEN: 1 x Ailanthus (T1) - Prune to previous points, approximate crown reduction of 2m - 3m.

Recommendation(s):

Approve works to Tree(s) covered by a Tree Preservation Order

Application Type:

Application for works to Tree(s) covered by a TPO

Consultations

Adjoining Occupiers:

No. notified

0

No. of responses

1

No. of objections

1

Summary of consultation responses:

One response was received, which is summarised as follows:

'there can be no justification for the felling of any tree in an urban area like ours unless it is causing structural damage to adjacent buildings, and in this case there is no evidence of any such damage.'

CAAC/Local groups* comments:

*Please Specify

None.

Assessment

This application is to carry out works to an Ailanthus tree covered by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) in the rear garden of a private residence on Long Yard, situated within the Bloomsbury Conservation Area.

An objection was received regarding the felling of the tree, which is incorrect as the work is to carry out a crown reduction and not remove the tree. The crown reduction is a repeat of a previous pruning.

Such repeat works are considered minor in nature, not harmful to the amenity the tree(s) provide and are appropriate and proportionate. The tree is of very low visibility from the public realm, is not of unusual, rare species or any known cultural or historic value and is not an exemplary specimen.

The council does not object to the proposed works.