

Delegated Report

Officer		Application Number(s)				
Liam Vincent		2023/4417/T				
Application Address						
Flat A, 81 Chetwynd Road, London NW5 1DA						
Proposal(s)						
FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Bay (T1) - Fell to ground level.						
Recommendation(s):		Objection to notification of intended works to tree(s) in a conservation area.				
Application Type:		Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area				
Consultations						
Adjoining Occupiers:	No. notified	8	No. of responses	1	No. of objections	0
Summary of consultation responses:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">None received for this notification, a comment was received seeking a correction - the site address given for the original entry on LB Camden system was incorrect and stated site address as '83'.					
CAAC/Local groups* comments: <small>*Please Specify</small>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">None.					

Assessment

The s.211 notification is to remove a semi-mature Bay Laurel tree (*Laurus nobilis*) in the front garden of a private residence on Chetwynd Road, which is located within the Dartmouth Park conservation area.

No reasons have been given for the removal of this tree, though that is not a requirement of the s.211 *notification of intended works to tree(s) in a conservation area* process.

This tree has historically been managed by crown pruning to produce a compact, regular shape. It is highly visible from a public place and makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the conservation area. The Dartmouth Park conservation area statement mentions that 'Front and rear gardens within the residential streets make an important contribution to the streetscape and character of the residential area. The Council will resist the loss of soft landscaping...'. (Dartmouth Park Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Statement, 2009, p.56)

Conclusion

It is recommended that this s.211 notification is objected to, and a tree preservation order be served to protect the amenity the tree provides and the character and appearance of the conservation area.