

Delegated Report

Officer

Liam Vincent

Application Number(s)

2023/4551/T

Application Address

The Garden Gate PH, 14 South End Road, London, NW3 2QE

Proposal(s)

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Silver Birch (T1) - Fell to ground level.

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Silver Birch (T1) - Fell to ground level.

No 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

42

No. of responses

1

No. of objections

0

Summary of consultation responses:

The Council received one response (comment) to the application, which is summarised as follows:
Support with conditions: the Garden Gate pub backs directly onto South End close Estate. SEC remains a private Estate with private parking and no access to external vehicles...we would like to liaise with the proprietor and offer support for the day of the tree felling...to provide space for the felling crew and wood chipper/truck on the estate (behind the Garden gate pub) for the duration of the tree felling. This is with the condition the tree trunk sections are offered to South End close for recycling and reuse on the estate...We have reached out to the tree surgeons concerned to agree this condition.

CAAC/Local groups* comments:

*Please Specify

None

Assessment

The S.211 notification is to carry out works to a Silver Birch (*Betula pendula*) tree in the garden of a public house on South End Road, situated within the Hampstead Conservation Area. The garden is adjacent to the public highway.

The proposed work is to fell the Birch tree, the justification is that '*Fell in the interest of safety.*'

A tree inspection has been carried out that identifies areas of dysfunction on the stem of the tree, and due to its location removal is justified as it represents a health and safety risk to users of the pub garden, and of the public highway adjacent.

The tree is not of unusual, rare species or any known cultural or historic value and is not an exemplary specimen.

Due to the condition of the tree, it is not expedient for the Council to serve a TPO.

The Council is not responsible for the works nor the disposal of the arisings. The estate residents committee has contacted the contractors directly to address the request for the tree trunk sections.

The council does not object to the proposed works.