

Delegated Report

Officer

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Application Number(s)

2023/4522/T

Application Address

49 Dartmouth Park Hill, London NW5 1JD

Proposal(s)

REAR GARDEN: 1 x Sycamore (T1) - Pollard by 3m - 5m.

Recommendation(s)

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

0

No. of responses

2

No. of objections

0

Summary of consultation responses:

The Council received one response to the application, which is summarised as follows:
This application appeared online on 27-10-2023. Yet comments had to be made by 26-10-2023, the same date as the application was apparently registered.
The application notes that this tree has a Tree Preservation Order...If this tree does have such an order then what is the reference number?
Following extensive enquiries Camden Council has suggested that there is no such TPO.
I have no objection to the size of the tree being considerably reduced. However, it has caused significant cracking to the wall shared with 47 Dartmouth Park Hill, similar to that caused by the Leylandii...which has received permission to be felled entirely.
It might be helpful if at a later stage this tree could also be removed...

CAAC/Local groups* comments:

*Please Specify

One response was received from Dartmouth Park Conservation Area Advisory Committee (DPCAAC):
2023/4522/T. 49 Dartmouth Park Hill No objection to the pollarding of the Sycamore (T1)

Assessment

The S.211 notification is to carry out works to a semi-mature Sycamore tree in the rear garden of a private residence on Dartmouth Park Hill, situated within the Dartmouth Park Conservation Area.

The proposed work is to crown reduce the Sycamore tree; the proposed works described as 'Pollard by 3m - 5m'.

The tree is clearly visible from the adjacent Laurier Road, but as it has previously been crown reduced at a small size, does not make a significant contribution to the character of the conservation area.

There is no requirement to consult regarding this type of work, so a consultation period was not initiated.

There is no Tree Preservation Order in effect on this tree, this was an error in the completion of the

application form made by the applicant.

The council cannot stipulate what works are applied for. However the applicant has agreed to a lesser specification as the initial proposed level of reduction beyond previous pruning points could be detrimental to the long-term health of the tree. The applicant agreed to an amendment of *0.5m beyond previous points of reduction, resulting in remaining crown diameter of 3.5m.*

As the tree is not of unusual, rare species or any known cultural or historic value and is not an exemplary specimen, it is not expedient for the Council to serve a TPO.

The council does not object to the proposed works.