Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2024/0078/T	Alison Parry-wingfield	19/01/2024 16:06:26	OBJ	I would like to object to the proposal from 22 Lancaster to remove trees from the back of their garden on the following grounds:
				1. To me the application is unclear as to which tree is which. The application form says the highest tree is a cherry tree but, on the ground, I believe the highest tree is a cypress which I believe is T4. However, T4 on the application form is described as a 2m Cypress. The photos have no writing on them and do not show the full line of trees marked on the plan so it is impossible to understand which tree (T1, T2, T3, T4, T5) is in the photo. I think the application should be refused on the grounds that it does not provide sufficient clarity to be reasonably and fairly assessed.
				2. The highest cypress in the line of trees which might be T3, T4 or T5 on the plan is one of the tallest trees if not the tallest tree in the area and so is very much in public view. I am not aware of any other cypress in the area and as such it is a unique species making it very important for the diversity of tree species in the area. It is a very healthy and beautiful tree. The tree is an integral part of a long row of tall trees that runs from 26 Lancaster grove to 14 Lancaster grove. Furthermore, as a very tall tree it must be an old tree which makes it very important in a historic conservation area.
				3. The cherry tree is very important for the bees in the area and therefore the whole ecosystem in the area. It is also a healthy tree.
				4. If the dead tree is felled I think a condition should be that it is replaced with another similar tree to preserve the character of the Belsize Conservation area
				I would like to ask the planning officer to check the details of the application form with what is on the ground and to refuse the application to protect the historic Belsize Conservation area.

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