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2024/0078/T jane butler 24/01/202	4 17:04:49 OBJ	This current proposal for tree felling should be viewed in relation to the initial planning consent granted for this (extensive) domestic dwelling which was contingent upon specific tree 'preservation' conditions on the site being met. It would be most helpful to establish whether these measures were conducted in line with the specific directions and whether they were successful in managing and protecting the existing tree coverage at the site. In view of Camden Council's policy objectives for tree protection preservation and planting, it would seem anomalous that tree felling in a Conservation area garden should be deemed necessary (except in dire cases). Given the value to the general environment, and immediate surroundings of a flourishing and diverse ecosystem all plant life including trees that are dead and dying should be retained. This proposal in particular should be viewed in relation to the earlier planning application for building on this site, in which tree management and preservation measures were a condition of that consent. How successful were these interventions and has tree cover been re-instated where required? The planting across the site as a whole should now be re-considered and in my view, any further felling refused.

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i object to this application on a number of grounds.

The quality of the application is very poor. It is extremely hard to understand from the scrappy hand drawn application exactly what is being applied for. I would have expected the photos to have been annotated with a clear explanation of which tree is to be removed. If I cannot understand the application how can I be expected to properly comment. Frankly with what has been submitted I cannot see how the planning officer can make a proper judgement.

However that said its clear that no 22 wants to cut down a number of trees at the back of their property. So even although I cannot determine exactly what is being asked for I object to this being done for a number of reasons.

- 1. I dont understand the rationale for cutting down any of the trees. In the application under the section is the condition an issue and in the section will it cause damage to the property both boxes have been ticked No. in that case why should they be felled?
- 2. I am wholly against the destruction of old and beautiful trees as its is detrimental to the natural beauty of the area and importantly would harm the ecosystem important for the birds, bees, bats and other animals. The cypress is unique in the area and the cherry very healthy and beautiful I simply cannot see any reason for their destruction.3. I appreciate that one of the trees does not look healthy but would expect a condition of any approval for destruction being a replacement tree and of sufficient age to replace the tree destroyed.
- 4. No plan has been provided as to what will be done to replace the trees. if nothing is done this will significantly alter the landscape between no 22 and the properties behind. With no tree cover it will give a clear sight from my property into those on the other side of the estate. Whilst I cannot comment for my neighbours they will have a direct view into the bedroom of No 22 and vice versa which I cannot imagine any of the parties involved would want.4. No 22 already contributes significantly to the light pollution in the area. If these trees are removed this will significantly increase this pollution.

For all the reasons noted above I object to this plannin apllication and hope the planning department arrive at the same conclusion.

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