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Dear Edward,
Many thanks for your helpful email. The RPCAAC's advice on the latest revision is below.
Hope it is helpful.
All good wishes, and thanks again,
Richard

ADVICE from The Regent's Park Conservation Area Advisory Committee
12A Manley Street, London NW1 8LT

13 May 2024

Chester Terrace balustrade application 2023/0282/P – revision

The Committee noted that Camden was prepared to refuse the application on the basis of the harm the tree replanting strategy would cause to the character and appearance of the conservation area and the setting of the Listed Chester Terrace. To address this, the CEPC had submitted (April 2024) a further revised tree replacement strategy.

The Committee reviewed this revised strategy at our May meeting.

The Committee noted that the revised strategy proposed 3 additional replacement trees.

One of the three proposed trees is a birch (*betula nigra*): the Committee questioned the sustainability of this tree, its resilience to climate change. Given the aspiration to recreate a planting scheme which reflected Nash's intentions, the Committee also questioned whether birch was a tree used by Nash in this context. The revised tree replacement strategy now submitted does not address the broader questions raised in our previous objections.

The CAAC continues to object to the proposed structural work. We are additionally concerned by the proposed use of the 21 tonne excavator. The CAAC sought a condition on any consent that ensured a legally binding and effective CMP to protect both historic fabric and also the surviving planting of the gardens.

Richard Simpson FSA
Chair

On Fri, 10 May 2024 at 09:40, Edward Hodgson > wrote:

Dear Richard,

Thank you for your email.

Yes the latest 2024 revisions now include 3 additional trees, totalling 22 replacement trees, compared to the 20 being removed.

In the revised strategy document, the drawings reflect the latest proposals for 22 replacement trees, the drawings are Rev A dated 10/04/24, this is indicated just above the drawing number.

I don't believe there is an existing plan of the trees unfortunately that I can see on the application file, only the existing elevations of the trees.

Kind regards,

Edward Hodgson
Senior Planning Officer

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Dear Edward,

I write as Chair of the Regent's Park CAAC.

I am preparing for the RPCAAC meeting on Monday 13 May, and need your help on the current (2024) revised tree planting scheme for the Chester Terrace balustrade application.

I have been going through the April 2024 revision of the tree planting strategy, and I see that pp. 17-19 of the pdf (physically numbered 2, 3, 4) seem to be the plans for the Original, previous revised scheme, and 2024 revised scheme.

I have 3 questions.

1. There is no existing tree planting plan, I think. Is there a separate plan of the existing trees?
2. All the other pages of the 2024 revised strategy document appear to be drawings from October 2023, and I assume these relate to the previous schemes and do not illustrate the 2024 revision?
3. Is it correct to say that the 2024 revised tree planting strategy adds 3 trees (numbered 18, 21, and 22) to the previous revised tree planting strategy?

I look forward to hearing from you.

I am most grateful for your help on these questions.

Best wishes and many thanks,

Richard

Richard Simpson FSA

Chair RPCAAC

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