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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended)
**PART OBJECTION TO SECTION 211 NOTICE OF WORKS TO TREE/S IN A
CONSERVATION AREA**

Address:
**32 Belsize Park
London
NW3 4DX**

Proposal:
FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Maple (T1) - Fell to ground level.
1 x Willow leaf pear (T2) - Fell to ground level.

The Council has considered your notification of intended works to trees dated 09 April 2024 and decided to **OBJECT** to the following work:

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

Reasons for objection:

- 1 The maple is highly visible from the street and makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the conservation area, the tree would appear to be in good condition and has an attractive form. Although not formally identified it would appear that the maple may be of a somewhat unusual species or variety which would add to the interest the tree provides. It is considered that the tree is worthy of being brought under the protection of a tree preservation order.

An arboricultural report submitted with the section 211 notification alleges that the tree is contributing to subsidence in an adjacent property however no

evidence has been submitted with the report demonstrating how this conclusion was reached. Evidence should include: the identification of roots below foundation level, crack/level monitoring over a sufficient period of time to demonstrate seasonal movement, trial pit/borehole logs, soil analysis demonstrating the presence of desiccated clay soil.

A tree preservation order has been served to protect the visual amenity the tree provides and preserve the character and appearance of the conservation area.

A Tree Preservation Order has been served on the tree/s and no work should be carried out without the prior consent of the Council.

However, the Council would not have any objection to the carrying out of the following works:

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Willow leaf pear (T2) - Fell to ground level.

Informative(s):

- 1 This notice is valid for 2 years from the date of this letter or until the work is completed, whichever is the sooner.
- 2 You are advised that the appropriate standards for tree work are set out in BS 3998: 2010. Failure to ensure that the proposed works are carried out to these standards may result in damage to the tree(s) and may result in legal action by the Council.
- 3 Please note that any approval given by the Council does not give an exemption from the requirements to comply with the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), or any other Acts offering protection to wildlife. Of particular note is the protection offered to bats, birds and their nests from construction works. For further information contact Natural England on 0300 060 3900 or www.naturalengland.org.uk.

Yours faithfully



Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer

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