

Delegated Report

Officer		Application Number(s)			
Liam Vincent		2024/1994/T			
Application Address					
17 Highgate High Street N6 5JT					
Proposal(s)					
REAR GARDEN: 1 x Laurel (T1) - Fell to ground level.					
Recommendation(s):		No objection to proposed works to a tree in a conservation area			
Application Type:		Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area			
Consultations					
Adjoining Occupiers:	No. notified	8	No. of responses	2	No. of objections
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Summary of consultation responses:	<p>The Council received one response from adjoining occupiers to this notification, which can be summarised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>There would not be any objection to the felling of this laurel, which appears to be growing at an odd angle, however it should be replaced with another suitable small tree</i> <i>can clearly be seen from Bisham Gardens and adds a leafy character to the street scene.</i> <i>significant part of a small island of greenery behind Highgate High Street, providing habitat for wild life in this overbuilt part of Highgate Village.</i> <i>Insufficient reason given for felling this significant tree.</i> 				
CAAC/Local groups* comments: *Please Specify	None received				

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The Council has received a S.211 notification to remove a small Laurel tree (*Prunus lauroceracus*) in the rear garden of a private residence on Highgate High Street, which is located within the Highgate Village conservation area.

The reason for the works is that the tree is of poor form, and the structural retaining wall of the raised bed it is growing in is failing.

The tree is of a small scale (approximately 3.5m tall and 2m wide). The tree is only partly visible from Bisham Gardens as it is behind several garden walls and surrounded by other vegetation.

There is no requirement for reasons to be provided for works for a s.211 notification.

There are other trees of similar and larger scale in the surrounding gardens.

Whilst it is not possible to secure a replacement for a S.211 notification, it is not expedient to serve a TPO to protect this tree.

The Council does not object to the proposed removal.