Delegated Report

Officer	Application Number(s)
Liam Vincent	2024/2893/T

Application Address

12 Torriano Cottages, Torriano Avenue NW5 2TA

Proposal(s)

REAR GARDEN:
1 x Ash (T1) - Fell to ground level.
1 x Eucalyptus (T2) - Reduce to points of previous reduction, approx. 3m branch removal.

Recommendation(s):	**No objection to notification of intended works to tree(s) in a conservation area.**
Application Type:	**Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area**

Consultations

Adjoining Occupiers:	No. notified	**80**	No. of responses	**0**	No. of objections	**0**
Summary of consultation responses:	The Council did not receive any responses for the proposed works.					
CAAC/Local groups* comments: *Please Specify	Bartholomew Estate and Kentish Town CAAC submitted one response: • *We would like to tree surgeon to confirm that the Ash has got Ash dieback disease before felling this rather beautiful tree please.* • *Yes we agree to the reduction to the eucalyptus tree .* • *We would like a tree planted if the ash is felled.*					

Assessment

The S.211 notification is to remove an Ash tree and prune a Eucalyptus back to previous points of reduction (approx. 3m branch length reductions) in the rear garden of a private residence on Torriano Avenue, which falls within the Kentish Town Conservation Area.

The Ash tree is proposed to be removed due to 'suspected Ash Dieback symptoms'. Photographic evidence provided does confirm the presence of tip dieback throughout the crown, plus very poor extension growth beyond the main branch structure. This strongly supports the diagnosis of Ash Dieback, and no further evidence is required.

Unfortunately, there is no obligation to replace a tree within a s211 notification. Due to the already very poor condition (a state of terminal decline), and much shortened safe life expectancy of the tree it would not be expedient to serve a TPO to protect this tree.

The Council does not object to the removal of the Ash tree nor to the re-reduction of the Eucalyptus.