

Delegated Report

Officer		Application Number(s)					
Liam Vincent		2024/3304/T					
Application Address							
10 Cliff Road NW1 9AN							
Proposal(s)							
REAR GARDEN: 1 x Pear (T1) - Fell to ground level. 1 x Ash (T2) - Reduce by up to 3m of height and 3m of width.							
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	44	No. of responses	3	No. of objections	1
Summary of consultation responses:		The Council received three responses to the proposed works, which are summarised as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">lots of inaccuracies making it difficult to understand which works are proposednot sure if photos show significant trunk damageThese trees are integral to the unique character of our street and contribute significantly to the overall charm and appeal of the area.The mature pear tree is a rare and valuable feature in an urban environment, and the ash tree plays a key role in maintaining the visual harmony of the streetscape.Reducing the ash tree by 3 meters in height and width would drastically alter its appearance and diminish the cohesive look of our neighbourhood.					
CAAC/Local groups* comments: <small>*Please Specify</small>		<ul style="list-style-type: none">None received.					

Assessment

The S.211 notification is to remove a Pear tree (T1) and prune an Ash tree (T2) in the rear garden of a business premises on Cliff Road, which is within the Camden Square Conservation Area.

The reasons for the proposed removal of T1 are:

- bad specimen. Trunk badly decayed*

There are no reasons given for the reduction of the Ash tree.

Neither tree is readily visible from a public space.

A photograph of the Ash tree submitted shows the tree is in a state of retrenchment – it is dying back from the crown tips. Photos of the Pear tree submitted as supporting evidence show an area of decay at the base of the stem, but no quantification of the amount of decay in the base provided.

A site visit confirmed the poor condition of the Ash tree canopy and further inspection of the stem of the Pear tree confirmed that the defect at the base was significant.

Both trees are of very low / negligible visibility from a public space. Neither tree is of a rare or unusual species, are noteworthy examples of their species, or are of historic or cultural significance. The defects noted also reduce the values that the trees hold and their safe life expectancy.

It would not be expedient to TPO the trees.

The Council does not object to the proposed works.