

# Delegated Report

## Officer

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## Application Number(s)

2024.4952.T

## Application Address

19 Lawn Road NW3 2XR

## Proposal(s)

REAR GARDEN: 1 x Laurel (T1)- Reduce height by approx. 1.5m and shape sides.

1 x Holly (T2) - Fell to ground level.

1 x Laurel (T3) - Reduce height by approx. 1.5m and shape sides.

1 x Olive (T4) - Prune back into shape by up to 1m.

## 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

19

No. of responses

2

No. of objections

1

### Summary of consultation responses:

The Council received two responses to the proposed works which can be summarised as follows:

Response of support for removal of T2 from owner:

- Since occupying my flat in 2007 I have planted THREE OTHER TREES, two bay trees and an olive tree, all of which are substantial. The net effect of the removal of the holly is that I shall have increased the number of trees in my garden by two.
- The end of the garden where the holly grows is extremely shaded, so that it is very difficult to grow anything there.
- I previously cut the holly back but owing to the way the holly grows it leaves a very unsightly effect which took years to grow out. Its prickly leaves are also a terrible nuisance on the ground.

Response objecting to removal of T2:

- We were hoping to see the Holly tree (T2) trimmed rather than felled, if at all possible.
- Holly trees are valuable to wildlife; they provide nectar and pollen for pollinators, while the berries provide an important food source for birds in the winter. We also enjoy seeing it from our windows and it provides privacy from the neighbouring flats.
- We would be happy to assist the applicant with tree care/maintenance if that is helpful (e.g. raking up leaves in the spring).

### CAAC/Local groups\* comments:

\*Please Specify

None received

## Assessment

The s.211 notification is to remove one tree (1 x Holly – T2) and prune three others (1 x Olive T4 and 2 x Bay Laurel T1 & 3) in the rear garden of a private residence on Lawn Road, which is within the Parkhill conservation area.

- T2 is of low visibility from the public realm and is not considered to significantly contribute to the character and appearance of the conservation area.
- T2 is not a rare or unusual species or of any known cultural or historic significance.
- T2 is not considered a noteworthy example of its species.
- There are other much larger trees surrounding it.
- The works to T1, 3 & 4 are not significant.

The Council can either object to intended works and serve a TPO, or make no objection. There is no option to insist upon certain works.

For the reasons stated above, it is not expedient to serve a Tree Preservation Order to object to the proposed works.

The Council does not object to the proposed works.