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Application Ref: 2011/6174/T Please ask for: Alex Hutson Telephone: 020 7974 5939

15 June 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

Anthony Taylor 52 Camden Mews

London

**NW19BX** 

#### **DECISION**

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order) Regulations 1999

# PART APPROVAL / REFUSAL OF WORKS TO TREE/S UNDER A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

Address:

52 Camden Mews London NW1 9BX

Proposal:

(TPO Ref: S9) FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Sycamore - option 1) 30% reduction; option 2) Remove.

The Council has considered your application dated 01 December 2011 and decided the following:

#### a) to REFUSE:

Removal/felling

#### Reasons for Refusal

The tree is considered to provide a significant level of visual amenity within the streetscape and is visible from most vantage points along Camden Mews. The tree has historically leaned, and no evidence has been provided that the lean is progressive. The tree has adapted to its environment and has withstood recent storm events, suggesting it is not inherently unstable. As the application related



to removing the tree in the future, it is recommended the lean is monitored for signs of movement and an application resubmitted with any evidence of movement at a later date. Damage to the wall appears to be historic and without a structural report, there is no evidence the wall is in a dangerous condition. Part of the wall could be rebuilt to take into account the position of the tree.

The application to remove the tree has been refused to protect the visual amenity the tree provides within the streetscape and this part of the conservation area.

## b) to GRANT APPROVAL for:

30% crown reduction

### Conditions and Reasons:

1 This decision is valid for 2 years from the date of this decision or until the work is completed, which ever is the sooner.

Reason: To allow the Council to monitor the completion and standards of the work.

2 All work shall be carried out in accordance with the relevant recommendations of British Standard 3998: 2010. (Recommendation for Tree Work)

Reason: To ensure the preservation of the amenity value and health of the tree(s).

## Informative(s):

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, whilst being built or in use. For further information contact Natural England on 0300 060 2634.

If you are unhappy with the Council's decision you may appeal within 28 days of the date of this notice by writing to The Environment Team, Room 4/04, Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN.

Yours faithfully

Rachel Stopard

Director of Culture & Environment