

From: Hutson, Alex
Sent: 28 May 2012 09:08
To: Planning
Subject: FW: 13, Chamberlain St NW1 8XB

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From: R Gibbs [mailto:robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 25 May 2012 16:57
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: 13, Chamberlain St NW1 8XB

Dear Alex

I enclose photos of a Eucalyptus, leaning on a retaining wall (this wall is approx 2m high on the neighbours side).

The tree is leaning heavily and exerting considerable pressure. With the vigour of this species, there is only one outcome-collapse of the wall, into the garden/play area below. It was a ridiculous place to plant such a tree, compounded by absence of maintenance. Pruning-no decent reduction points as the tree has aimed for the light, like an out of control Nov 5th rocket!

Can we proceed with felling on a 5 day notice?

The owner Mr Quinnell is abroad mostly-contactable on 33 614407999.

Regards

Robert

From: "Hutson, Alex" <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
To: 'R Gibbs' <robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk>
Sent: Friday, 11 May 2012, 12:04
Subject: RE: 46, Dartmouth Park Road, NW5

Robert,

Thank you for your email.

I visited Whitestone House yesterday. The works on the two HCs nearest the lane have already been done (in the last week or so), possibly by the company who submitted the previous application. The proposed works for the other are considered acceptable. I will issue a letter shortly.

Kind regards,

Alex Hutson
Trees and Landscape Officer

Telephone: 020 7974 5939

From: R Gibbs [mailto:robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 11 May 2012 12:01
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: Re: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Dear Alex

I feel 100% sure you will be happy with the reduction/reshaping of the Chestnut at 46, Dartmouth Park Road .

The work on the 3 x Horse Chestnuts at Whitestone House is due to start on May 24 for 3/4 days.

Trust that is ok. I have had the acknowledgement letter re the single tree on the far side of the garden.

Regards

Robert

From: " Hutson, Alex " <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
To: ' R Gibbs ' <robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk>
Sent: Tuesday, 8 May 2012, 16:21
Subject: RE: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Thanks Robert,

I will issue a decision letter for 46 Dart Pk Rd tomorrow.

Kind regards,

Alex Hutson
Trees and Landscape Officer
Telephone: 020 7974 5939

From: R Gibbs [mailto: robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 03 May 2012 08:28
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: Re: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Hi Alex

I formally agree to amend the specification (for the Chestnut at 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5) to a crown reduction of 15-20%.

I have also sent, by Royal Mail, the TPO application for the 3rd Chestnut at Whitestone House.

Thanks for your assistance.

Regards

Robert

From: " Hutson, Alex " <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
To: ' R Gibbs ' <robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk >
Sent: Wednesday, 2 May 2012, 11:31
Subject: RE: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Robert,

If you agree to amending the spec to a 15-20% reduction and crown lift then I can give a consent today (for 46 Dart Park Road).

Re Whitestone, those dates should be fine. Have you submitted an app for the 3rd Horse Chestnut on the TPO form?

Regards,

Alex Hutson
Trees and Landscape Officer

Telephone: 020 7974 5939

From: R Gibbs [mailto:robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 02 May 2012 10:01
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: Re: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Hi Alex.

Three photos of the Chestnut at 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5. Could I do the work next thurs, 10 May?

Re: Whitestone House: the client wants to do all 3 Chestnuts at the same time. Any chance of that being checked out early next week? Then I could schedule the works for 16,17,18th May.

Appreciate your help on this.

Regards

Rob

From: " Hutson, Alex " <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
To: ' R Gibbs ' <robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk >
Sent: Thursday, 26 April 2012, 14:41
Subject: RE: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Robert,

I am unlikely to have time to visit Whitestone House after our meeting at Dartmouth Park Road , but can inform you that you may proceed with the 30% reductions on both Horse Chestnuts along the Whitestone Lane boundary.

Regarding the other Horse Chestnut, please submit an application on the TPO form to planning@camden.gov.uk

I will try to get up there to take a look over the next week or so.

Regards,

Alex Hutson
Trees and Landscape Officer

Telephone: 020 7974 5939

From: R Gibbs [mailto:robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 26 April 2012 14:34
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: Re: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Dear Alex

!2 o'clock on May 1st at 45, Dartmouth Park Road .

Mrs Halstead is arranging to be home.

Also: Re Whitestone House, Whitestone Lane , NW3.

The Horse Chestnut nearest the house has consent for 40% reduction. I am suggesting closer to a 30% crown reduction. This tree is hollow at 0.5-1.5m above ground-visible from the fence side.

The adjacent, larger Chestnut is hollow from 1.8-3.25m above ground-visible from the house side.

A reduction is clearly required: crown reduction of 30%, where the heavier regrowth from historic pollarding could be reduced, leaving the lighter regrowth to form the canopy.

The large Chestnut, on the East side of the garden, has also been pollarded-30-35 years ago.

At this point 4.5m above ground level. are numerous pockets of decay and cavities.

The appropriate action, I believe, is crown reduction of 20-25% and crown thinning of 30%.

This will reduce the weight & wind resistance, while the tree can be effectively and sympathetically reshaped at this level.

I shall be free to view Whitestone House after Mrs Halstead's appointment, if you are able.

Regards

Robert

From: "Hutson, Alex" <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
To: 'R Gibbs' <robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk>
Sent: Monday, 23 April 2012, 10:17
Subject: RE: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Hi Robert,

I will be taking a look at the tree on Wednesday. Do you have the contact details of the owner? Are you able to meet me there at about 1:00pm?

Kind regards,

Alex Hutson
Trees and Landscape Officer

Telephone: 020 7974 5939

From: R Gibbs [mailto:robertgibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 23 April 2012 10:14
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: Re: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Dear Alex

Any news on the Chestnut at 46, Dartmouth Park Road ?

Also, my recent pruning of 2 Horse Chestnut at Whitestone House, NW3, revealed massive cavities in both trees: visible from inside the garden. On the tree nearest the house, the tree is essentially hollow at 1m above ground-on the fence side. The further tree is hollow from 1.5m -2.5m-facing the main road. Astonishing that no major breakages have occurred!

The large Chestnut on the other side of the garden has many cavities at 4.5m-at the old pollard points.

So, I shall submit further applications for pruning of these trees.

Regards

Robert

From: "Hutson, Alex " <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
To: 'R Gibbs ' <robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk >
Sent: Wednesday, 18 April 2012, 15:00
Subject: RE: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Robert,

I did get the photos. I will aim to see the tree over the next few days. Not convinced it is DDD but we will log it as such for now.

Regards,

Alex Hutson
Trees and Landscape Officer

Telephone: 020 7974 5939

From: R Gibbs [mailto:robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 18 April 2012 14:58
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: Re: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Dear Alex

Did you get the photos of the Chestnut?

All was well yesterday but I got 80!! failure notices in today's emails.

Regards

Robert

From: R Gibbs <robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk >
To: "Hutson, Alex " <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
Sent: Monday, 16 April 2012, 17:44
Subject: Re: 46, Dartmouth Park Road , NW5

Dear Alex

Here are photos of the Chestnut.

Regards

Robert

From: "Hutson, Alex" <Alex.Hutson@camden.gov.uk>
To: 'R Gibbs' <robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk>
Sent: Monday, 16 April 2012, 14:22
Subject: RE: 46, Dartmouth Park Road, NW5

Dear Robert,

My colleague Tom is dealing with 76 Fitzjohn's Avenue and should issue a decision this week.

Re the Chestnut, please email over the pictures and we can consider if it falls into the DDD category.

Kind regards,

Alex Hutson
Trees and Landscape Officer

Telephone: 020 7974 5939

From: R Gibbs [mailto:robertggibbs@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 16 April 2012 14:08
To: Hutson, Alex
Subject: 46, Dartmouth Park Road, NW5

Dear Alex

Mrs Halstead of above address is most anxious (as is her neighbour, whose house is beneath the tree) about the condition of the Red Chestnut in the rear garden.

The Aesculus x incana has severe canker growths at the main division point, where the trunk divides into 3.

There are many other canker zones on the major limbs (some almost girdling the stem).

The tree is 16m high and very close to the neighbouring property.

If possible we would like to reduce the tree to 6-7m in height, to a more sustainable level.

If we can apply a 5 day notice to this tree of very uncertain structural stability, then we could get the benefit of the vigorous new growth that is about to surge.

I am expecting an email, with photos of the tree. I shall forward these as soon as I receive them.

Also, has my application to prune a Beech at 76, Fitzjohn's Avenue, NW3, been received. I believe it was 4-5 weeks since I sent my application.

Best regards

Robert Gibbs