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Application Ref: **2015/2320/T**  
Please ask for: **James Remmington**  
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07 August 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

### **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:  
**1 Frognal  
London  
NW3 6AL**

Proposal:  
(TPO REF C1023) FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Lime - Lift crown by removing small trunk shoots and minor branches up to the start of the main crown at approximately 6m. Thin crown by 15-20%  
1 x Beech - Reduce back to former pruning points to reduce lateral spread of the crown by 2.5 - 3m

The Council has considered your application dated 23 April 2015 and decided the following:

#### **a) to REFUSE :**

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Beech - Reduce back to former pruning points to reduce lateral spread of the crown by 2.5 - 3m

#### **Reasons for Refusal**

- 1 Beech is not a particularly tolerant species to pruning, and the only previous



record of work to the Beech dates from 1998, so the proposed works represent the removal of up to 17 years of growth, and much of the current canopy. This will have a significant impact on the appearance of the tree, and therefore its amenity value. It has not been demonstrated to the council's satisfaction that the tree will recover from this pruning and reform an attractive and functional canopy.

The proposed works are therefore considered excessive and harmful, both to the health of the tree and to the visual amenity the trees provide

This part of the application has been refused to protect the visual amenity the tree provides and to preserve the character of the area.

**b) to GRANT APPROVAL for:**

FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Lime - Lift crown by removing small trunk shoots and minor branches up to the start of the main crown at approximately 6m. Thin crown by 15-20%

**Conditions and Reasons:**

- 1 This decision is valid for 2 years from the date of this decision or until the work is completed, whichever 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):**

- 1 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 from construction works. For further information contact Natural England on 0300 060 4911 or [www.naturalengland.org.uk](http://www.naturalengland.org.uk).

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



Ed Watson  
Director of Culture & Environment

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