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Application Ref: **2014/7647/T**
Please ask for: **James Remmington**
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23 February 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order) Regulations 2012

REFUSAL OF CONSENT FOR WORKS TO TREE/S UNDER A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

Address:
60 Parkhill Road
London
NW3 2YT

Proposal:
(TPO Ref: C1116) REAR GARDEN: 1 x Ginkgo - Fell to ground level.

The Council has considered your application dated 11 December 2014 and decided to refuse consent for the following reason(s):

Reason(s) for Refusal

- 1 The fact that the tree is leaning is listed as a supporting reason to remove the tree; however no supporting evidence was submitted to indicate that the tree is unstable, therefore this reason has been dismissed by the council. Similarly, another supporting reason is that the tree is in direct contact with the building. It is considered that this could be controlled by cyclical pruning, and that removal of the tree is an excessive control method.
The main reason for felling is that the tree is implicated in the damage of an adjacent boundary wall (vertical crack, up to 19mm wide), and the supporting report states



that:

'it would not be possible to sever the roots causing damage and insert a root barrier... this would undoubtedly mean severing major structural roots and would potentially make the tree unstable/hazardous.'

Whilst the council accepts that a root barrier is not a feasible option for damage mitigation, no evidence has been submitted to indicate that the damage is progressive, or that repairs to the existing wall are unfeasible.

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

Informative(s):

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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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