

Delegated Report

Officer

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Application Number(s)

2018/2872/T

Application Address30 Chesterford Gardens
London
NW3 7DE**Proposal(s)**

REAR SIDE GARDEN: 1 x Sycamore (TG1) - Fell to ground level

Recommendation(s):

No Objection to Works to Tree(s) in CA

Application Type:

Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area

Consultations**Adjoining Occupiers:**

No. notified

11

No. of responses

2

No. of objections

2

Summary of consultation responses:

1. The tree is old and healthy.
2. Reduces pollution in the area.
3. Provides privacy/screening for the surrounding buildings
4. Provides ecological services.
5. Reduces noise

CAAC/Local groups* comments:

*Please Specify

Assessment

The tree has low visibility from the public realm as it is screened by other trees. It is not considered to be a particularly large or noteworthy example of its species. Although it does provide some screening between properties and ecological services in the form of habitat and pollution reduction these are not sufficient reasons alone to bring the tree under the protection of a TPO.

The application alleges that the tree has been identified as the cause of subsidence at the adjacent property. No evidence has been submitted in this case however the tree is very close to the property.

On balance, considering the relatively low visual amenity the tree provides within the street scene, the presence of other trees in more prominent positions, the proximity to the adjacent building and the alleged damage, it is not considered that it would be expedient to bring the tree under the protection of a TPO.

The Council does not wish to object.