

Delegated Report

Officer

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Application Number(s)

2019/3084/T

Application Address28 Hillway
London
N6 6HH**Proposal(s)**

REAR GARDEN: 1 x Oak (T2) - Fell to ground level.

Recommendation(s):

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

3

No. of responses

1

No. of objections

1**Summary of consultation responses:**

This very healthy oak tree has been here for generations (for your information, we have lived in this house for 50 years) and ecologically it is an important part of the local environment. It provides the necessary natural support for all the wildlife and it also ensures privacy from overlooking properties.

We strongly object to this Application.

CAAC/Local groups* comments:

*Please Specify

None

Assessment

The oak tree is highly visible from the public realm and is considered to provide a high level of visual amenity and to make a positive contribution to the character of the area. It appears to be in good condition displaying good vigour. Additionally the tree provides screening between properties and is of an ecologically valuable species.

The application alleges that the tree is implicated as a cause of subsidence in an adjacent property however it is considered that insufficient evidence to justify the removal of a tree that is worthy of being brought under the protection of a TPO has been submitted as this does not include crack and/or level monitoring demonstrating a pattern of seasonal movement in line with the expected moisture uptake of vegetation.

It is recommended that a tree preservation order is served to protect the visual amenity the tree provides and preserve the character of the conservation area..