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## **Development Management**

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Dear Sir/Madam

## DECISION

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended) OBJECTION TO SECTION 211 NOTICE OF WORKS TO TREE/S IN A CONSERVATION AREA

Address: 6 Torriano Cottages Torriano Avenue London NW5 2TA

Description: REAR GARDEN: 1 x Dawn Redwood (Metasequoia glyptostroboides) - 20% crown reduction.

The Council has considered your notification of intended works to trees dated 18 March 2020 and decided to **OBJECT** for the following reasons:

Reasons for objection:

1 The dawn redwood tree is considered a noteworthy example of its species, which is rare locally.

Although the tree is in the rear garden of the property its size means that it is visible from the public realm. The tree is considered to contribute to the character and appearance of this part of the conservation area.

The arboricultural report submitted with the notification states that the tree has "good crown shape and is showing good vigour and high amenity value. No external signs of basal decay were found."

The report goes on to state that "Although the tree is tall, its conical habit reduces shading and visual impact, making it sustainable in this location at present. No action is therefore required".

This species does not tolerate pruning well, it is considered that a 20% reduction

would permanently adversely affect the form of the tree and therefore the visual amenity it provides.

A tree preservation order has been served to protect the amenity the tree provides and the character of this part of the conservation area.

## A Tree Preservation Order has been served on the tree/s and no work should be carried out without the prior consent of the Council.

Yours faithfully

Daniel Pope Chief Planning Officer

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