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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:

**4 Cleve Road
London
NW6 3RR**

Description:

REAR GARDEN: 1 x Oak (T6) - Fell to ground level.

The Council has considered your notification of intended works to trees dated 22 May 2020 and decided to **OBJECT** for the following reasons:

Reasons for objection:

- 1 The s.211 notice is for the removal of an oak tree from the rear garden of a residential property that is situated within the South Hampstead Conservation Area. The documents submitted with the notice allege that the tree is contributing to the property damage at a neighbouring property.
The 15m+ oak tree is visible from the public realm from numerous vantages points on Priory Road and Compayne Gardens between semi-detached properties. The tree is considered to provide amenity to the public and to contribute to the character and appearance of this part of the conservation area. Paragraph 5.25 of The South Hampstead Conservation Area statement states: Views along rear garden vistas and into areas of dense tree cover area characteristic of the conservation area and should be protected. Views of mature trees between buildings from the public highway provide a sense of space and openness and give the impression of properties with large rear gardens.

The tree in question is considered to contribute to this sense of space and openness and gives the impression of properties with large rear gardens.

The tree has future potential as an amenity as it yet to achieve its ultimate size.

Oak trees provide a climate regulating service by their capacity to sequester carbon and therefore to mitigate the effects of climatic change. Oak trees support a huge range of species and are of high biodiversity value.

The submission alleges that the tree is contributing to property damage at a neighbouring property. No level or crack monitoring data has been submitted to demonstrate this. Documents submitted show that there are damaged drains at the affected property which could be altering soil moisture levels and contributing to the damage.

A tree preservation order be served to protect the amenity the tree provides and the character and appearance 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DPope', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer

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