

Delegated Report

Officer

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Application Number(s)

2021/3349/T

Application Address27 Buckland Crescent
London
NW3 5DH**Proposal(s)**REAR GARDEN: 1 x London Plane (T1) - : Fell to ground level.
1 x London Plane (T2) - Fell to ground level.**Recommendation(s):**

Part granted part refused

Application Type:

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

Consultations**Adjoining Occupiers:**

No. notified

27

No. of responses

No. of objections

43**Summary of consultation responses:**

See online records

CAAC/Local groups* comments:

*Please Specify

See online records

Assessment

The plane listed as T1 on the application form is a large tree with good form and would appear to have a significant safe useful life expectancy. The plane is visible from the rear of properties and gardens along Buckland Crescent, College Crescent, Adamson Road and Crossfield Road. Rear boundary trees are characteristic of the area and this tree is considered to make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the conservation area.

The application states that damage to the rear boundary wall and shading as the reasons for removing the tree.

These are not considered to be sufficient reasons to justify the removal of a tree that is considered worthy of being brought under the protection of a tree preservation order. The wall is in need of rebuilding and could be rebuilt in such a way as to take account of the presence of the tree or be replaced with a fence. Shading is not considered a reason to remove a tree.

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

The plane listed as T2 on the application form has significant decay in the main stem and it would not be expedient to bring this tree under the protection of a tree preservation order at this time.