Application ref: 2022/0379/T

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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order) Regulations 1999

REFUSAL OF CONSENT FOR WORKS TO TREE/S UNDER A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

Address:

79 Parkhill Road London NW3 2XY

Proposal:

FRONT GARDEN; 1 x Lime - Fell to ground level.

The Council has considered your application dated 01 February 2022 and decided to refuse consent for the following reason(s):

Reason(s) for Refusal

The application is for the removal of a lime tree from the front garden of residential property that is situated within the Parkhill Conservation Area. The application alleges that the tree is contributing to property damage at the same address.

The application tree is a large, mature lime tree in the front garden of the property. The tree is highly visible from the public realm and significantly contributes to the character and appearance of the conservation area. The tree has been maintained by crown reduction.

The application alleges that the tree is contributing to property damage at the same

address. A photograph of some text has been included with the submission which goes some way to describe the damage. No formal evidence has been submitted with the application: no level or crack monitoring, no soil analysis, no root investigation report and no detailed description and/or quantification of the damage. As such, the evidence submitted is not considered robust enough to implicate the tree as the cause of the damage.

The application has been refused to protect the amenity the tree provides and the character and appearance of the conservation area.

Informative(s):

When visiting the site the case officer identified a wound at the base of the tree, visible from the highway. There appeared to be an area of necrotic tissue associated with the wound and a *Ganoderma* spp. fungal fruiting body on the stem which may be causing internal decay. It is recommended that the owner of the tree have a full inspection of the tree undertaken by a suitably qualified arboricultural professional, including an internal assessment of the tree, to ascertain its condition in the interest of public safety. The council recommends contacting the Arboricultural Association via www.trees.org.uk to find a arboricultural professional opertaing in your area.

If you are unhappy with the Council's decision you may appeal within 28 days of the date of this notice by writing to The Environment Team, Room 4/04, Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN.

Yours faithfully

Daniel Pope

Chief Planning Officer

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