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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:
76 Lawn Road
London
NW3 2XB

Proposal:
REAR GARDEN: 1 x Swamp Cypress (T1) - Reduce crown by 2m - 2.5m on all aspects, ensuring a natural canopy outline.

The Council has considered your application dated 28 January 2022 and decided to refuse consent for the following reason(s):

Reason(s) for Refusal

- 1 The swamp cypress provides a decent level of visual amenity within the garden areas to the rear of Downside Crescent and Lawn Road and is visible from both streets. It forms part of a corridor of greenery along the rear boundary of these properties contributing to the character and appearance of the area, it also provides screening between these properties and provides valuable habitat for local wildlife.

It is considered that the proposed reduction would remove a significant proportion of the crown of the tree and negatively impact on the appearance of the tree and its visibility from the surrounding area, significantly reducing the amenity the tree

provides and its contribution to the character and appearance of the area.

The reasons given for the works, that the tree has been unpruned for many years and is becoming leggy, dominates the garden and surrounding gardens, that pruning will maintain the longevity of the tree, let more light into all the adjacent gardens and restrict the root growth of the tree, are not considered to be sufficient to justify carrying out the proposed works to a tree that is worthy of protection under a tree preservation order.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DPope', is positioned above the name of the signatory.

Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer

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