

Delegated Report		Analysis sheet		Expiry Date:		11/10/2022	
		N/A / attached		Consultation Expiry Date:			
Officer				Application Number(s)			
Nick Bell				2022/3683/T			
Application Address				Drawing Numbers			
50 Fellows Road London NW3 3LJ							
PO 3/4		Area Team Signature		C&UD		Authorised Officer Signature	
Proposal(s)							
REAR GARDEN: 1 x Beech (T1) - Fell to near ground level and treat stump to inhibit regrowth.							
Recommendation(s):		Object to notification of intended works to tree(s) in a conservation area.					
Application Type:		Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area					
Conditions or Reasons for Refusal:		Refer to Draft Decision Notice					
Informatives:							
Consultations							
Adjoining Occupiers:		No. notified	30	No. of responses	01	No. of objections	01
				No. electronic	00		
Summary of consultation responses:		<p>The council received one consultation response which is summarised below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have enjoyed the view of the copper beech since I moved in in 1961. • I enjoy seeing the tree change through the seasons • The tree helps to combat climate change and poor air quality • The tree should be pruned not felled 					
CAAC/Local groups* comments: *Please Specify		None received.					

Assessment

The s.211 notification is for the removal of a copper beech tree from the rear garden of residential property that is situated within the Belsize Park Conservation Area.

This large, mature, copper beech tree is visible from the public realm between semi-detached properties and contributes to the character and appearance of the conservation area. The tree is approx. 16m in height and has been pruned historically.

The tree helps to combat climate change and poor air quality locally. The tree provides habitat potential.

The notification alleges that the tree is contributing to vegetation related property damage at a neighbouring property. Drainage system defects have been identified which may be contributing to movement. The level monitoring data does not appear to demonstrate season movement. No roots from the Fagaceae family, of which copper beech is a member, were found. The evidence submitted is not considered to demonstrate that the tree is contributing to the damage.

It is recommended that a tree preservation order be served to protect the character and appearance of the conservation area.