

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

Haringey Council, L4, Alexandra House, Station Road, N22 7TY

Application number	CON/2022/0339
Application type	Conservation Area Notification
Site Address:	Westcott 23 Stanhope Road London N6 5AW
Proposal	T1: London Plane, front right hand side Large London plane that has been previous reduced and has a very low crown. The main trunk of the tree has cracked the brick retaining wall. Recommendation: Crown reduce the tree back to previous points of reduction (6-7m) and crown lift to 5.2m over the road. T2: London Plan, front left hand side Large London plane that has a very low crown. The main trunk of the tree has cracked the brick retaining wall. Recommendation: Crown reduce the tree by approximation 6-7m and shape. Crown lift to 5.2m over the road Plus mapping & photos.

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection (alteration to specification by agreement for lesser works see below.)	
Application date	22/08/2022	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 6 th September 2022

Site

The very large mature London Plane trees (*Platanus x hispanica*) T1 & T2, as marked on the map, are situated in the front communal garden of the property. The trees are publicly visible and have high amenity value.

A site visit was not deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works (30/08/2022 at approximately 12pm).

The location is within the Crouch End Conservation Area. This protects every tree with a diameter at breast height (taken at 1.5m) >75mm.

Proposal

Tree works proposed:

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Issues

The above specification and proposal is too heavy a crown reduction.

On inspection both Plane trees appeared to be maiden trees (no past reduction works). However, since being in dialogue with the agent, T1 from a submitted photograph of the tree out of leaf, clearly shows a past reduction.

It has now been agreed that T1 is reduced back the previous pruning points and that T2 is crown reduced 3- 4m. It is recognised that the laterals on the Planes are overextended on both sides. The above new specification should account for balancing the trees and making them more in scale to their surroundings and adjacent property.

The crown lifting over the highway is a standard specification.

These agreed new works are within good arboricultural practice and husbandry.

In relation to the wall and the cracking, this will require an Engineer's solution.

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