

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	CON/2022/0400
Application type	Conservation Area Notification
Site Address:	8 Broadlands Road London N6 4AN
Proposal	Five Day Notice. One of our large beech trees (under TPO) in our front garden has meripilus giganteus. According to the surgeon (LC Treecare), the meripilus is advanced and is eating away at the root plate of the tree. In his opinion, the tree could fall over at any time. Recommendation: remove tree.

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection	
Application date	28/09/2022	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 6 th October 2022

Site

The mature tree is situated in the front garden of the property. It is publicly visible.

A site visit was deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works (3 October 2022 at approximately 12:30).

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

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Issues

The mature Beech tree is the smallest within a group that consists of a mature Lime tree, and two other Beech trees on the front boundary.

This Beech has an advanced declining and dying crown.

The progressive decay fungus *Meripilus giganteum* (Giant Polypore) is present around the tree's base (see photograph below).

The mode of advanced decay affects the underside of the inner roots leading to a soft decay that often causes root failure and windthrow. The declining crown is associated with the affected roots.

There is evidence of past disturbance around these trees such as altered levels, new wall, new gates, and driveway. It possible that this has led to root damage and allowed the pathogen entry.

There is a condition to re plant dead and dying within a Conservation Area.

Recommendation

No Objection

Condition: Re plant 10- 12cm girth *Tilia tomentosa petiolaris*

