

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2023/0029
Application type	Conservation Area Notification
Site Address:	Tushingham Cottage 22 Edison Road Hornsey London N8 8AE
Proposal	1 x Birch (closest to the property) - Cut the entire tree to ground level Please see attached Site Investigation Report and Engineers Report.

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection	
Application date	05/01/2023	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 1 st February 2023

Site

The Birch tree, as shown on the sketch plan, 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 (31/01/2023 at approximately 12:15pm).

The location is also 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

I hold no objections to the removal of the one Birch tree.

There were three Birch trees but there are now only two.

The removal of the Birch tree closest to the structure will allow the remaining tree to go beyond the exclusion stage and develop a fuller crown.

The submitted details for indirect damage have discrepancies:

- BRE Category is 2 (slight)
- Foundations are shallow with live *Betula* roots found

However:

- The GHG Reports notes point 8 moisture content <40% is desiccated. Shallow readings show 24.4%. The report refers to the soil not being desiccated.
- There is no desiccation at depth
- PI is not MPI and is low 23%
- Clay classification is CI intermediate and soil suction is low i.e. slight
- There is no shear vane readings or oedometer readings

Most importantly there are no good level monitoring results to show seasonal movement.

If there are any future notices, then we will require level monitoring results.

Recommendation

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