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From: Planning Support
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Works to tree protected by a Group TPO T105 Horse Chestnut. Pollard to just above crown break rather than fell to ground level. Monolith and retain as a habitat stem and re-monitor in 2 years. Previous large limb loss with Cambial dysfunction to so...

Elmcroft is built on the site of the demolished 101-103 Hornsey Lane, both large houses with large gardens. There were many mature trees in the gardens of which this is one. It is prominent on Hornsey Lane making a beneficial contribution to the visual amenity of the area.

We are not competent to assess the viability of this tree. We could not access the South side of the trunk and do not know what effect the problems visible on the north side affect the integrity of the tree. We would ask the Tree Officer to explore the possibility of options to maintain of this significant tree.

If the tree cannot be saved, a monolith would be preferable to felling but a similar tree should be planted along the boundary to mitigate the loss of this major feature of the street scene.

HGY/2019/0818 The Tree Officer objected to the application and said of the boundary trees on Stanhope Road;

"These are significant trees of local importance due to their size and prominence in the landscape. They contribute materially to the amenities of the locality, playing an important part in providing a sense of scale, maturity and textural diversity to the immediate vicinity."

The same description applies to this tree.

Looking at application HGY/2022/1098 (same site but different address given) one can see the view along Hornsey Lane which we submitted, and our comment,

"As the site is not in the Conservation Area, there is no incentive to maintain the trees and the planting. We would ask the Tree Officer and/or the Environment Officer to meet with the Landlord of the site with a view to negotiating better, more environmentally friendly management going forward. As the site is not in the Conservation Area, we would like to see TPO's put on more of the mature trees in order to give them some protection and maintain and enhance the view along both Stanhope Road and Hornsey Lane"

Once again, we would ask the Tree Officer to visit the site with a view to placing TPO's on the more important trees. We would be happy to assist them if we can.

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Elmcroft from Hornsey Lane May 22



Elm court Hornsey Lane March 2023