

James Argles

From: Planning Support
Subject: FW: Notification of Bat Roosting Potential, Planning Application HGY/2023/0827
Attachments: IMG-20230508-WA0009.jpg; PIPPYG_20230504_210750.wav

I would like to object to the planning application HGY/2023/0827 on the grounds of this tree holding features with bat roosting potential. The tree in question is a mature oak located in the Scout Park, Gordon Road, N11 2PB. Please see photo attached that shows potential roosting habitat within the tree (cavities in the trunk, loose bark, cracks and splits) that is the subject of removal, and I can confirm that bats are known to be present in the area.

We detected multiple bats in the area over a number of survey visits undertaken on the 4th and 7th of May 2023. An example of one of these bat recordings along with its date, time, and location, can be found attached to this email (this can be read using the free echo meter app). The recordings we gathered show soprano and common pipistrelles to be present within the vicinity of the tree and potentially noctules also, although we did not get a clear reading on those. We can provide these recordings if needed.

We do not believe adequate bat surveys have been undertaken to rule out this bat roost potential prior to the tree's removal being recommended. Bats are legally protected in the UK. I would like a response to this email and to understand who at Haringey Council will be dealing with this objection? If you require any further information, please let me know?

I have copied my neighbour, Eva Mohler-Beresford, who is also supporting me in this objection and would like to be kept informed.

Many thanks,
Chloe Taylor
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