

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2023/0987
Application type	Tree Preservation Order application
Site Address:	2 Ossian Road, Hornsey, London, N4 4EA
Proposal	Works to tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order Stone Pine T1 (12M high, 600mm dia.) - Lift crown all around to 4 metres above ground level. Reduce crown on building side by 2 metres away from property. Remove all deadwood and creeper. Selective thin of internal branching by up to 15% Reason: The tree has a dense canopy and is situated on the south aspect of a small side garden to the property causing considerable shading and loss of natural light. Reduction of heavy shading to small garden Improvement on natural light amenity to garden area.

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection	
Application date	06/04/2023	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 16 th May 2023

Site

The mature Stone Pine *Pinus* spp. tree T1, as marked on the plan and shown within the photograph is, situated in the rear garden of the property. It is highly publicly visible from the adjacent road and footway.

A site visit was deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works (09/05/2023 at approximately 12:30pm).

The tree is protected by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO)

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Issues

I hold no objections to the proposed reasonable tree pruning works.

The specification is within good arboricultural practice and husbandry.

A recent site visit showed that the invasive Virginia creeper had been removed. Suppressed lower dead branches and branches with old pruning wounds were revealed.

Most of these branches will be remove when lifted. Stone Pines morphology often have higher top heavy formed crowns.

The sensitive pulling back the peripheral growth from the structure is common practice and will help to slightly balance the crown. Selective internal thinning by up to 15% is minimal pruning.

A recent tree preservation order was placed on the tree when there was an imminent threat to its removal.

Part of the discussion, at the time, was to remove the climber and to find an Engineer's solution to the rebuilding of the wall to allow for any future incremental growth of the stem's girth. The latter, unfortunately, has not been considered.

This Stone Pine has high public amenity value, is an unusual and good specimen for the species, and adds to the sylvan tree lined street.

Recommendation

No Objection

