

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2023/1470
Application type	Tree Preservation Order application
Site Address:	1 Chester House 30 Pages Lane Hornsey London N10 1PR
Proposal	Works to trees protected by an Area TPO T2: Common horse chestnut (10m): Lift canopy over driveway to 5-6m from ground level to enable vehicle access T3: Austrian pine (20m): Fell as tree is dying T4: Sycamore (11m): Fell as tree is dying T6: Silver birch (9m): Fell as tree is dead T7: Norway maple (10m): Lift roadside canopy to 4-5m from ground level as obscuring 20mph road sign T8: Common horse chestnut (10m): Re-pollard to 6-7m removing 3-4m of growth due to decay in the main stem T9: Common lime (18m): Re-pollard to previous points removing 3m of regrowth to make it less exposed and to reduce the risk of failure T11: Norway maple (9m): Fell as tree is dead T13: Norway maple (9m): Fell as tree is dead T14: Ash (14m): Reduce overhang by up to 3m to the north towards the tennis courts to reduce the risk of failure T15: Horse chestnut (10m): Reduce crown by up to 1m to prevent encroachment towards the tennis courts T16: Holm oak (10m): Crown reduce by 2m to keep at a size suitable for its location and to reduce the risk of failure.

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection Objection	
Application date	02/06/2023	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 31 st July 2023

Site

The various trees are situated in the front and rear grounds of the property. They are publicly visible from the front.

A site visit was deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works (31/07/2023 at approximately 10:30am).

The trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO)

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Issues

After walking the site with the agent and going over the tree works from the tree survey, I hold no objections to the proposed works.

Dead trees are exempt. The Maples T11 and T13 are small, suppressed dead trees within the copse. T4 is a dead leggy Sycamore also within the same copse. T6 Birch is an over mature open grown tree that has been deteriorating over the years and is now dead. It takes centre piece in the lawn area. Birch are a pioneering species, fast growing and short lived.

T3 the Pine is almost dead.

There will be a condition to re plant the five fells. The trees within the copse will have their crown spaces grown into, and filled by the adjacent crowns of the trees (a large Ash).

The significant reduction of the Horse Chestnut T8 is due to the severe decay within the main branch. The tree has been poorly pruned in the past (reduced) and decay has entered through the past wounds.

The crown lifting on the highway side is justified for high vehicle access and clearing signage.

The reduction of the Holm Oak T16 and the pulling from the tennis courts T14 & T15 is reasonable minimum works.

The tree survey and specification are within good arboricultural practice and husbandry. It was noted on site that there were many fine mature large trees along with many other mature trees in a declining state. The declining trees will need care and monitoring. The grounds have the potential for further arboretum trees and ornaments to be planted.

Recommendation

No Objection

Conditions re plant 10-12cm girth

- ***X2 Pinus nigra***
- ***X1 Pinus pinea***
- ***X1 Pinus wallichiana***
- ***X1 Acer platanoides drummondii***