

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2023/2065
Application type	Conservation Area Notification
Site Address:	1 Alexandra Mews, Hornsey, London, N2 9HA
Proposal	T1 - weeping birch tree (5m) - take down to ground level. T2 - sycamore saplings (1m) - remove all from front garden. T3 - climbing hydrangea (2m) - cut back to top of wall over alley to side of property. T4 - privet & cotoneaster hedge (2m) - trim back to wall on pavement side and trim top with hedge cutters. T5 - viburnum shrub (2m) - trim with hedge cutters.

RECOMMENDATION:	See below	
Application date	31/07/2023	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 7 th September 2023

Site

The various trees T1-T5, as marked on the sketch plan and seen in the photographs, are situated in the front garden of the property. They are publicly visible.

A site visit was deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works (21/08/2023 at approximately 12pm).

The location is also within the Fortis Green 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 object to the removal of T1 the weeping Birch tree. There are two weeping Birches within the vicinity with the other smaller tree being in the adjacent neighbouring property.

These trees add to the streetscape, character, greenery, screening, buffer and tree canopy cover of the area.

A methodology to rate both their worthiness for a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) rates them worthy.

However, after dialogue with the applicant/ client, they have chosen to withdraw this part of the specification and retain the weeping Birch.

I hold no objections to the rest of the work specification. The self-set Sycamore saps are low grade, and the remaining pruning is reasonable management.

Recommendation

See above