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T1 - pearlbrush tree (3m) - take down to ground level.

T2 - laurel & leylandii hedge (6m) - trim with hedge cutters and remove any branches overhanging rear neighbour.

T3 - sycamore tree (14m) - reduce crown to previous pruning points, approximately 2-3m reduction.

T4 - hazel tree (8m) - reduce & remove stems and branches to create at least 2m clearance from building.

T5 - sycamore tree (14m) - reduce overhanging branches back to boundary.

While we have no objections to the works proposed for T2 –T5, we cannot understand why T5 should be felled. Although relatively small, it makes a significant contribution to the Street Scene. The Conservation Area Appraisal says,

Bloomfield Road

6.4.75

" A few large trees and smaller flowering trees give it a leafy appearance."

The pearl brush tree is one of those smaller flowering trees.

We believe a case can be made to put a TPO on it but should it be felled, a similar replacement tree should be planted.

Highgate Neighbourhood Plan Policy OS2: Protection of Trees and Mature Vegetation

1. *Within the conservation areas or when protected by a TPO, specimen, veteran and mature trees and mature vegetation, which have townscape, ecological or amenity value should be retained where possible.*

If such a loss is shown to be absolutely necessary, new development will be expected to submit proposals for suitable replacements, like for like replacement being supported where appropriate and feasible.

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