

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2026/0555
Application type	Conservation Area Notification
Site Address:	6 Acorn Terrace, Archway Road, Hornsey, London, N6 4BF
Proposal	T1 mature Sycamore tree in the back garden. The total height of the tree is ~25 metres. As you can see from the side view photo, it sits between the buildings and the Highgate wood trees on the right. A wind tunnel effect is created between the buildings and the woods and, when full of leaf, our tree acts as a sail. There is a risk that it may be uprooted in strong windy weather. The proposal is to reduce the volume of the crown, so in practical terms this would be to reduce the height by around 2-3 metres but then to thin out the bulk of the branches, taking some back by half their length whilst leaving others intact. This would limit the impact of the wind and preserve the tree. An arborist will assess which particular branches will be shortened whilst he is working on the tree

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection	
Application date	02/03/2026	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 19 th March 2026

Site

The mature Sycamore tree T1, as marked on the plan, and seen in the photographs (see below marked specification), is situated in the rear garden of the property. It is not publicly visible.

A site visit was not deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works.

The location is also within the Highgate Conservation Area. This protects every tree with a diameter at breast height (taken at 1.5m) >75mm.

Proposal

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Issues

I hold no objections to the reasonable proposed pruning works.

The Sycamore has been sensitively crown reduced before.

The current proposal will take the crown back to the most recent previous.

The Sycamore has been over lifted in the past, and for the reasons given for the works, I concur.

The specification is within standard good arboricultural practice and husbandry.

The species generally responds well to such reductions.

The works will bring the tree more into scale with its surroundings.

Recommendation

No Objection

