

Comments from the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum.

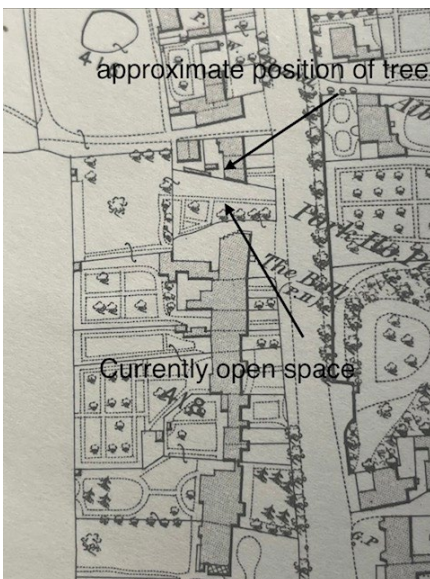
The laburnum is of no consequence and we are pleased that a replacement tree, preferably a small to medium native tree, will be planted.

The self set hawthorn is a significant tree clearly visible from North Hill. It makes its own visual contribution to the street scene, particularly at this time of the year when it blossoms.



Hawthorne is one of the native trees providing most support for wildlife. It not only provides habitat but also spring blossom for pollinators and autumn berries for birds.

This hawthorn seems to be mature and is quite tall. Although it does not appear on the 1869 25 inch ordnance survey map, it is close to an area marked with trees which is still covered with trees to this day.



As a 'self set' it could be related to a tree which used to grow on the site or to a tree which grew on one of the many pockets remaining from Bishops' Wood/Highgate Wood which still remained 100 years ago and signs of which remain to this day.

Although the tree is "growing into retaining wall and building foundation" there is no evidence given of any damage to either.

This tree should not be felled without further justification and could well be worthy of a TPO.

T3 Yew

We should like further details of this yew which could well be part of the small wooded area shown on the 1869 25 inch ordnance survey map.

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