

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2026/2142
Application type	Conservation Area Notification
Site Address:	56 Queens Avenue, Hornsey, London, N10 3NU
Proposal	<i>T1 Oak in rear garden of 56 Queens Avenue (please note that the garden area is subdivided into separate areas for the enjoyment of the various flats in the property)</i> <i>The tree surgeon confirmed that we will have to cut/trim around 5-6 low branches of the oak tree by about 6ft (approx. 1.8m) since they overhang the boundary line for my back fence. Please see attached the photos and the oak tree marked in red. As you can it almost sits between communal path and flat 3 garden right now, and it overhands my boundary line with its lower branches.</i> <i>As you can see from the photo the oak tree is well over 6 metres high and my fence is only 1.65m so we will be cutting only lower branches to allow the fence to be installed</i>

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection	
Application date	27/07/2026	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 30 th July 2026

Site

The early mature Oak tree T1, as seen in the photographs, 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 Muswell Hill Conservation Area. This protects every tree with a diameter at breast height (taken at 1.5m) >75mm.

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Issues

No objection on arboricultural grounds.

The proposed reasonable, sensitive works to T1 Oak in the rear garden of 56 Queens Avenue are considered acceptable and in line with good arboricultural practice.

The applicant has advised that approximately 5-6 lower lateral branches extending over the boundary of the garden associated with Flat 3 are to be trimmed back by approximately 1.8m (6ft) to facilitate the installation of a new boundary fence. Based on the information provided, the oak is an early mature, established tree significantly exceeding the height of the proposed fence (approximately 1.65m), and the works are limited to lower secondary growth rather than the main crown structure.

Subject to the following, the proposal raises no arboricultural objection:

Pruning should be restricted to the identified lower branches only (see photograph below).

All cuts should be made to suitable growth points and in accordance with BS 3998:2010 Tree Work - Recommendations.

The works should not result in a disproportionate or unbalanced crown form.

No major scaffold limbs or primary structural branches should be removed as part of these works.

The extent of pruning should be limited to that necessary to provide clearance for the fence installation (as seen on the marked photograph).

Given the modest nature of the proposed pruning relative to the overall size and condition of the tree, the works are unlikely to have a significant adverse impact on the tree's health, amenity value, or long-term retention.

Recommendation: No objection to the reduction of approximately 5-6 lower branches by up to 1.8m to provide clearance from the proposed boundary fence, subject to the works being undertaken in accordance with BS 3998:2010.

Recommendation

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