

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2026/2133
Application type	Conservation Area Notification
Site Address:	2A Wolseley Road Hornsey London N8 8RP
Proposal	<i>The tree in question is a smoke bush, which has been left to get tall and leggy. That's causing the tree to lean, it also has a fungus which looks like honey fungus or white bracket fungus. It's has a split in the main trunk and sounds hollow when tapped. There are 2 options for the work to be carried out. Option one reduce tree by 25% and remove limb that is really leaning and try and get to grow more evenly. Options 2 fell the tree and remove stump and roots</i>

RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection	
Application date	27/07/2026	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 17 th September 2026

Site

The mature Smoke Bush tree, as marked on the plan, and seen in the photographs is situated in the front garden of the property. It is publicly visible.

A site visit was deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works (16/09/2026 at approximately 12pm).

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

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Issues

I hold no objections to the removal of the Smoke Bush. The tree has mechanical damage at the base with an open cavity extending up the main stem. An unidentified fungus is present at the base of the tree and within the entry of the cavity.

The trees leans away from the highway and has been overlifted on one side unbalancing the crown.

Unfortunately, the tree was planted too close to the wall and has caused direct damage.

Smoke Bush trees have striking foliage in the late autumn, and the applicant recognises this feature that the tree provides on the corner of Wolseley Road.

There is a duty to re plant dead, dying and dangerous trees in a Conservation Area.

The front garden is in the process of being re landscaped and the wall requires repairs.

The residents are amenable to re planting with a suitable species and are considering a line of pleached trees along the fenceline.

Recommendation

No Objection