

PROTECTED TREE REPORT (TREE WORKS)

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

Application number	HGY/2023/2777
Application type	Tree Preservation Order application
Site Address:	37 Southwood Avenue, Hornsey, London, N6 5SA
Proposal	Works to tree protected by a TPO. Front Garden: Monkey Puzzle (12M high, 450mm dia.) - Reduce crown away from front bay window to give 1 to 2 metres clearance and balance the remainder of the crown sensitively by up to 1 to 2 metres. Raise canopy on roadside to level. Remove all dead branches.

RECOMMENDATION:	Objection	
Application date	16/10/2023	
Tree Inspector	DM	Date: 8 th November 2023

Site

The Monkey Puzzle T1 tree, as marked on the plan and seen in the photograph below, is situated in the front garden of the property. It is publicly visible and has high amenity value.

A site visit was deemed necessary to determine the appropriateness of the proposed works and I am familiar with the tree.

The tree is protected by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO/2023/0011) and is also within the Highgate Conservation Area.

Proposal

Tree works proposed.

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Issues

I object to the specification, and the proposed pruning works.

Monkey Puzzle trees, by their open nature of growth, do not have structural crown reductions carried out. This would ruin the dignity, amenity value and morphology of the tree.

Monkey Puzzles are also often over lifted. Again, ruining the morphology, crown, canopy, and value of the tree. The canopy is not interfering or obstructing the highway.

Dead wood is exempt. From a site visit any dead wood is considered minor.

Recommendation

Objection

Amended: no objections to lesser works such as sensitively and sympathetically pulling back the nearest branches from the structure by up to 2m.



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