# Tree Survey

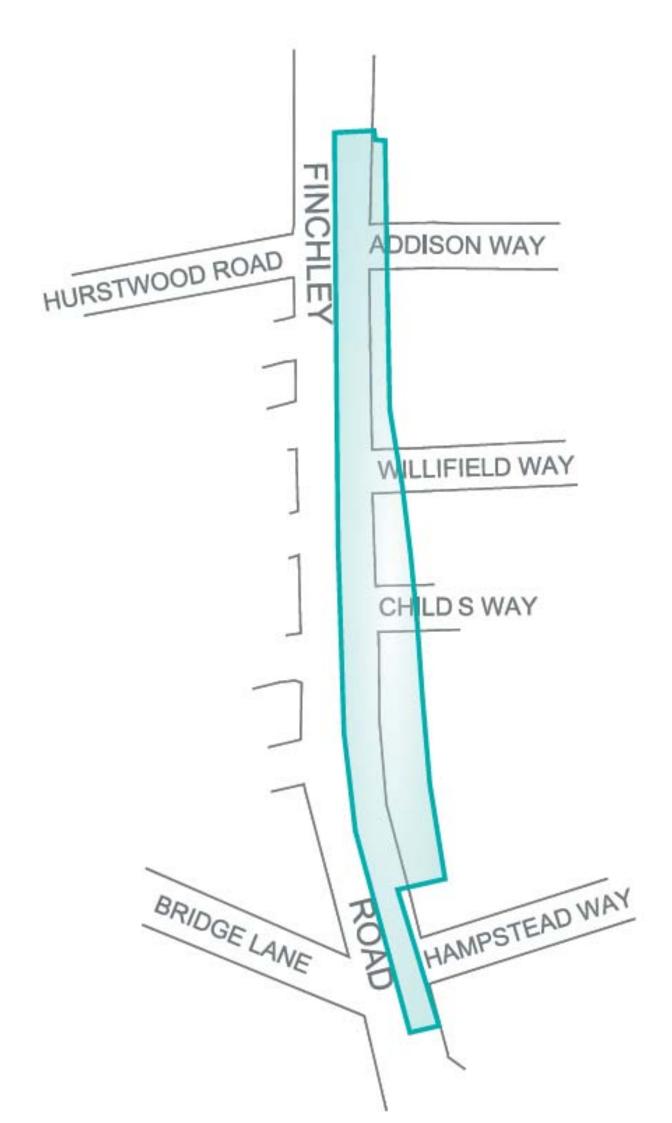
Hampstead Garden Suburb

## FINCHLEY ROAD – AREA 16

Date of observations: June 2012

This report has three elements.

- 1. A brief overview account of the trees in the area.
- 2. An area map showing;
  - the location of TPO trees,
  - trees shown on Unwin's 1913 map and,
  - other trees which make a significant contribution to the local streetscape.
- 3. A spreadsheet providing full details of the observations.



### Area 16 Overview

#### Date of Observations October 2013

#### Introduction

Area 16 covers the eastern side of Finchley Road, which forms the western boundary of Hampstead Garden Suburb. From the junction with Temple Fortune Lane, the road rises gently to the north for about 200 metres and then follows the slope down to the junction with the North Circular road at Henly's Corner. Blocks of flats line most of the road but there are shops in the most southerly section of the area.

Shops line the whole of the western side of the road so that the overall character is of a bustling local shopping area. There are few street trees in this area, but on the eastern side there are wide pavements and the buildings are considerably offset from the pavement. Thus, a small number of trees in good condition, which are all on the eastern side of Finchley Road, make a particularly valuable contribution to the area. The difference between the eastern and western sides of the road is striking.

#### Species in Area 16

The following species are found in the area: maple (2), pear (1), plum (1), and oak (1). There is also a mixed group of 11 trees: pear, cherry and hawthorn.

#### **TPO Trees in Area 16**

There are no TPO trees in this area and no recommendations for TPOs are made.

#### **Unwin Trees in Area 16**

There is one Unwin tree in the street, outside the Trust office. It is a Barnet street tree and technically outside the remit of the Survey. However, it is included here because it is part of a long line of boundary trees which are mapped in Area 2 and was not planted as a street tree. It is on the 1913 map and remains a fine old oak.

#### **Groups of significant trees in Area 16**

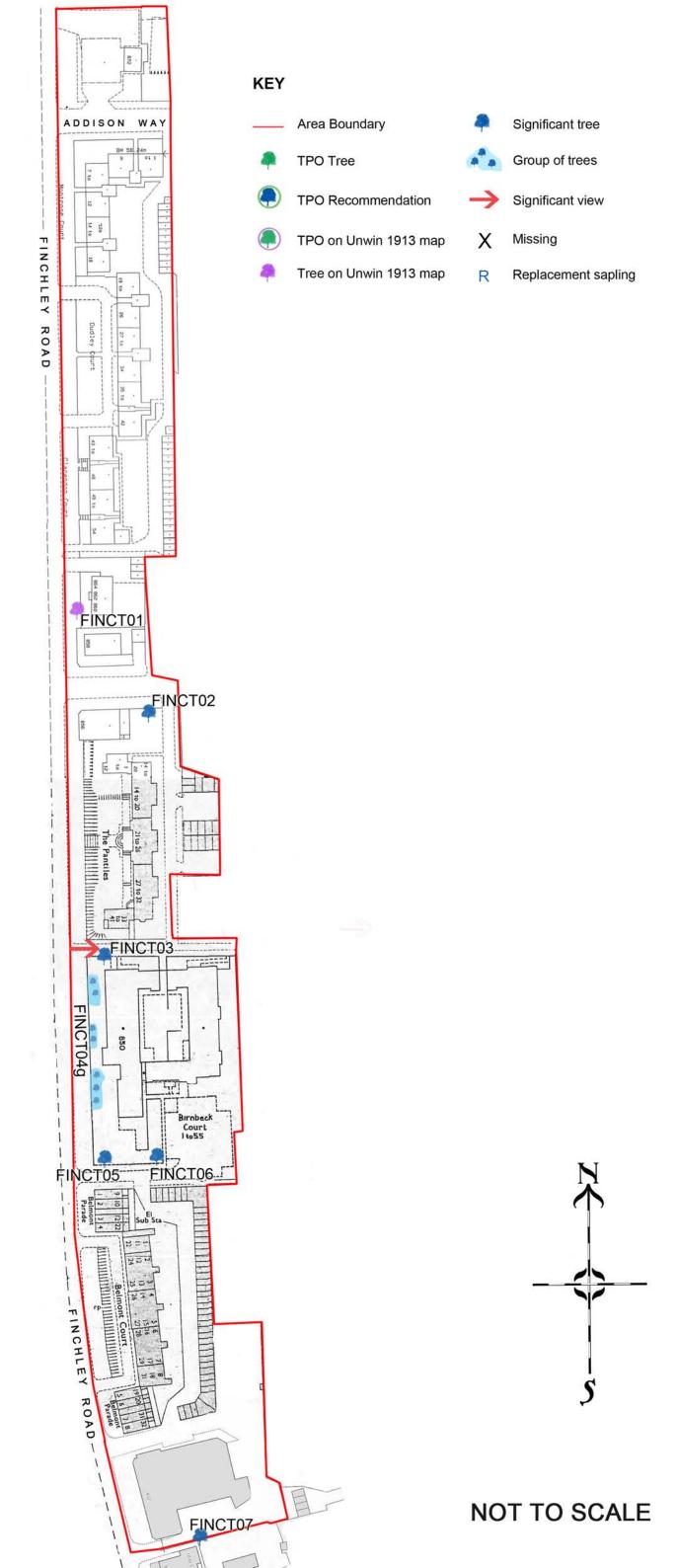
There is only one group of trees of particular importance within this area, a group of 11 trees that form part of the landscaping scheme for Birnbeck Court. This mixture of pear, cherry and hawthorn trees provides an attractive setting for the flats and enlivens an otherwise bleak section of Finchley Road where the pavement is very wide and there are no street trees. Moreover, clear effort has been taken to maintain the trees; they are in good condition and at least one is evidently a replacement tree.

#### Individual trees of note in Area 16

There are few individually significant trees and they are found mainly on the roads forming junctions with Finchley Road. They are generally in good condition, but do not frame views or provide particular focal points.

There are two trees which are not in Area 16 but which provide 'borrowed views' that enhance the area. FINCT07 is in Area 2 but this fine cedar is only visible from Finchley Road. The magnificent oak tree in the garden of 45 Asmuns Place (ASMPT02), together with two maples FINCT05 and 06, provide an excellent view from Finchley Road along the service road to the entrance of Birnbeck Court.

Area 16 - Finchley Road



Area	TDO	Unwin trees	Signifi cant Trees	TPO Ref no/SIG Ref no.	TPO Tree Street No.	Location	Species	Notes
16		1		FINCT01	Finchley Road	862 Finchley Road in street to front	oak	this is a Barnet street tree but is noted here because it is the end of a line of Boundary trees that are mapped in Area 2 and was not planted as a street tree. Tall, roof height tree, good crown and shape.
16			1	FINCT02	Finchley Road	856A Finchley Road to side by Willifield way	pear	good shape and condition but small; adds interest to a bleak section of the road.
16			1	FINCT03	Finchley Road	Corner of Childs Way and Birnbeck Court	Plum	good condition. well sized tree marking the corner of the court
16			11	FINCT04g	Finchley Road	Front of Birnbeck Court	pear/cherry/hawthorn	a group of young trees of good shape and colour, planted as part of a landscape scheme for Birnbeck court; especially significant because there are no street trees in this section of Finchley road.
16			1	FINCT05	Finchley Road	Corner of Birnbeck court and Binbeck close	maple	good crown, appropriate size for position, autumn colour, frames corner
16			1	FINCT06	Finchley Road	Corner of Birnbeck court and Binbeck close	maple	good crown, autumn colour, provides an attractive view looking E from Finchley Rd to the huge oak ASMPT02
16			1	FINCT07	Finchley Road	In grounds of Temple Fortune House on the boundary with Marks and Spencer service road	cedar	a tall tree adding green all year to a bare service road; in the gardens of Temple Fortune House on the boundary with the M&S service road .(actually in area2 but only visible in Area 16, hence it is located here)