Tree Survey

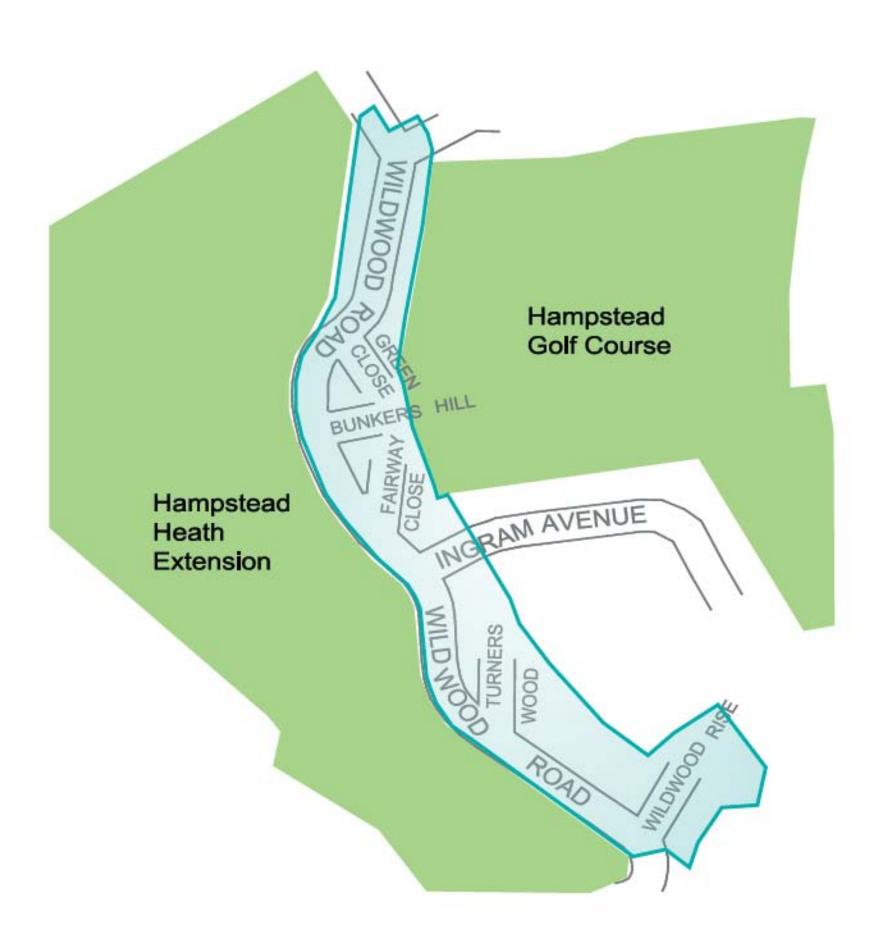
Hampstead Garden Suburb

WILDWOOD ROAD – AREA 7

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 7 Overview

Date of Observations October 2013 - November 2013

Introduction

This area is dominated by the trees on the Heath to its west and, to its east, those on the old hedge lines on the Saxon boundary which survived as the c20th boundary between Hendon and Finchley. This runs along the back of the gardens, dividing them from the Hampstead Golf Course. Thus, impressive views of fine old trees can be seen between and over the large houses on either side of the road.

At the junction with Ingram Avenue, the character of the road changes subtly. As the road winds southwards up the hill, the houses are set much further away from the road and they back onto Turner's Wood or the wooded grounds of Spaniards Field. The mature trees in front gardens and the Heath Extension trees extend over the pavements to generate a more intimate woodland ambiance.

The area is notable for the large number of trees with TPOs and other mature forest trees. This quality in the extensive tree cover means that, in this context, the barrier for identification as a significant tree is very high

Species in Area 7

Oak (24) is the most numerous species. Ash (7) and lime (9) are also frequently found. Outside these concentrations the individual trees are from a range of species: birch, box elder, crab, Lombardy poplar, poplar, silver birch.

TPO Trees in Area 7

Of the 39 TPO trees shown on the 2012 Barnet map, 27 remain. The missing 12 trees are:

- TPO-C20-T9 is listed as a Lawson cypress.
- TPO-C20-T17, listed as a liquidambar.
- TPO-C20-T1, listed as a crab.
- TPO-C20-T18, listed as a birch.
- TPO-F1N-29-T1, listed as a willow.
- TPO-C20-T15, listed as a beech.
- TPO-C20-T19, listed as a purple sycamore.
- TPO-FIN-29-T52, listed as a crab tree.
- TPO-FIN-29-T50, listed as privet.
- TPO-FIN-T50, listed as willow
- TPO-C20-T11, listed as birch

TPO-C20-T5 is listed as a birch and it is missing, but in this location there is a row of 5 lime trees (WILDTO5g) which stretch from beside no13 to TPO-C20-T7.

There are 5 TPO queries.

Two trees were found to be of a different species from that shown on the listing:

- TPO-C20-T4 is listed as false acacia but has been replaced with an ash tree
- TPO-FIN-29 is listed as a thorn but has been replaced by a hornbeam

At listing TPO-FIN-29 T2 from the road it was not possible to determine exactly which trees were being sought. This is set out in the notes, but the trees have been included in the total of TPOs because there were two trees of the correct species (birch) in this area. At TPO-FIN-29 T29 it is not possible from the road to identify one oak from among a number in this location, but the tree has been counted in the TPO total.

Unwin Trees

Wildwood Road and Turner's Wood are marked on the 1913 Unwin map but no individual trees are shown as being retained in the gardens of the properties. Clearly, the mature oaks along the rear boundaries of properties on the eastern side of Wildwood Road predate the development of the area.

Groups of significant trees

There are 3 pairs of trees and 6 larger groups of particular note

These include a row of approximately 6 mature oaks running along the rear boundary of 16 Wildwood Road. This is a continuation of the boundary trees which are so prominent a feature of the road further to the north. There is also a line of 5 beeches at the front of 14 Wildwood Road which form an impressive group. 8 pollarded London plane trees are symmetrically placed either side of Wildwood Rise outside No. 6 and No.2. These are oddities as they are in fact on private land and the responsibility of the Trust, but nonetheless the trees are listed on Barnet's Street Tree database.

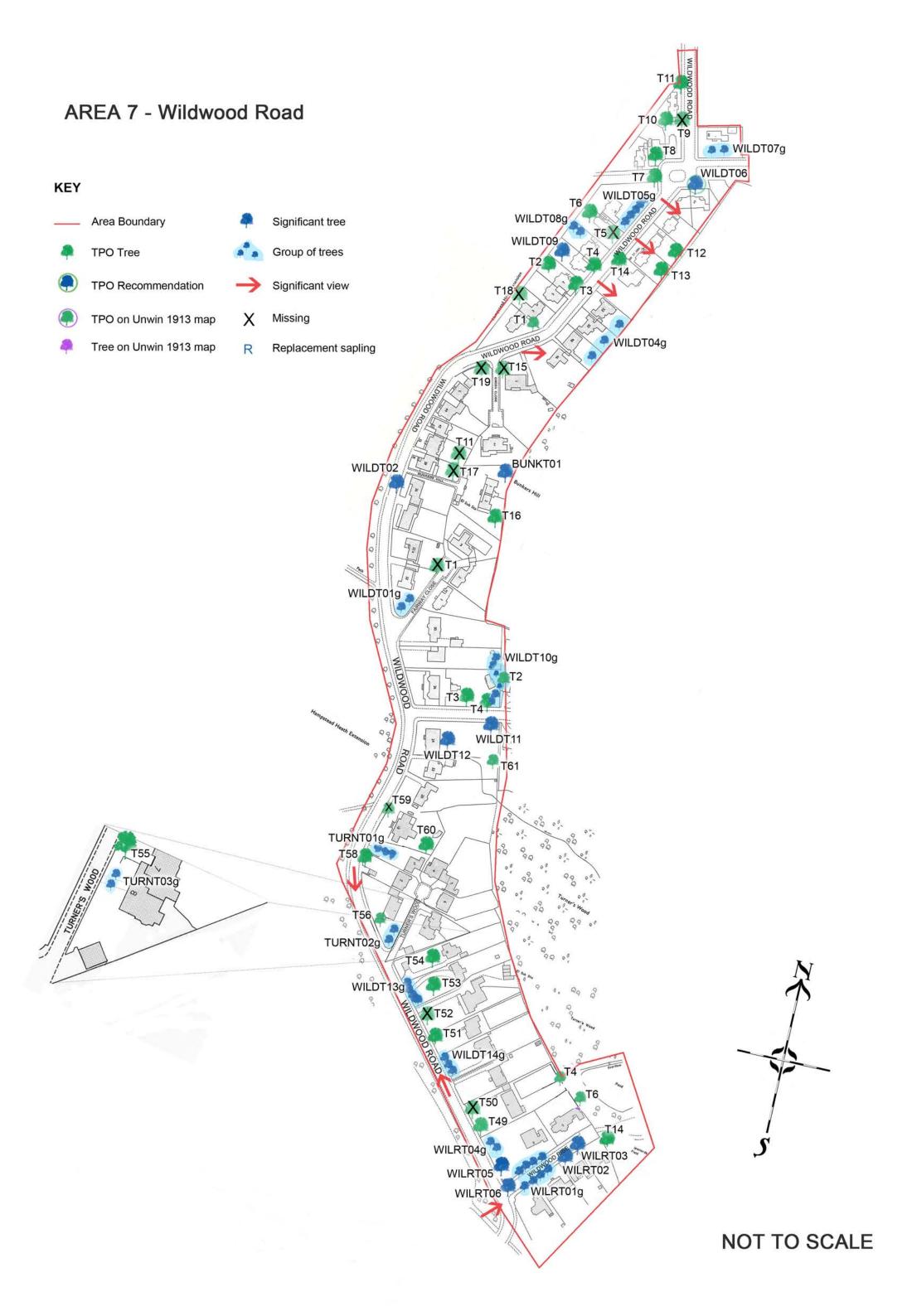
There are two pairs of ash trees. The first is in a hedge along Fairway Close and the second ash in the pair makes a particularly prominent frame to 32 Wildwood Road. The second pair features two good trees along the border between house numbers 11 and 13 Wildwood Road. They are visible from both the Heath and the road itself. There is also a fine pair of oak trees alongside Kingsley Way in the garden of 68 Wildwood Road.

Individual trees of note in Area 7

10 individual trees were identified as significant. These trees are mostly in front gardens and all are of a scale that fits with such a handsomely wooded area. The lime outside the front of 64 Wildwood Road is a beautiful tree which dominates the corner; it is not clear where the boundary of 64 Wildwood Road lies exactly, but this tree is not on the Barnet Street Tree database and is worthy of consideration for a TPO.

Tree Preservation Order Recommendations

One tree in Area 7, WILDT06, is recommended for consideration for a Tree Preservation Order, (see Spreadsheet Notes).



Area	TPO Ur	nwin cant	TPO Ref no/SIG Ref no.	TPO Tree	Street	Location	Species	Notes
7		1	BUNKT01	140.	Bunkers Hill	rear of 1	poplar	good tree prominent from Wildwood Road, behind no 42.
7	1		TPO-C20	T16	Bunkers Hill	rear of 2	oak	A magnificent tree when viewed up Fairway Close, towering over no 3 Fairway.
7			TPO-F1N 29	T1	Fairway Close	near end	willow	MISSING
7			TPO-C20	T15	Green Close	front of 1	beech	MISSING
7			TPO-C20	T19	Green Close	3 middle of garden	purple sycamore	MISSING
7	1		TPO-F1N 29	T60	Turner's wood	NE corner of 3	London plane	map shows rear of 18. Wildwood Road hard to confirm.
7	1		TPO-F1N 29	T58	Turner's wood	rear of 2	flowering cherry	healthy but badly pruned. Not a good shape. Close by garage.
7	1		TPO-F1N 29	T56	Turner's wood	rear of 1	hornbeam	TPO QUERY. Listed as thorn which is missing but now a hornbeam in this location.: tall, good. But atypical shape
7	1		TPO-F1N 29	T55	Turner's wood	front of 8	flowering cherry	Not in good condition, poor crown and shape. TPO QUERY , listed as birch possible replacement for original TPO
7		3	TURNT01g		Turner's wood	Number 3 next to wildwood road. North of driveway.	Sycamore, Robinia (?), Silver Birch	visible from Wildwood road. Line of 3 tall trees.
7		2	TURNT02g		Turner's wood	Number 1 visible from Wildwood road at corner with Turner's wood.	2 sycamores	1) Normal 2) Eastern one is purple. Tall, good shape and condition. Contrasting colours and nice contrast with liquidambar (currently very young). Group TPO in place nearby.
7		2	TURNT03g		Turner's wood	Front garden number 8	hornbeam	young hornbeams, fastigiate, planted as formal pairing on either side of path, will be magnificent contribution to street scape as they mature.
7	1		TPO-C10	T6	Wildwood Rise	north corner of 5	oak	North west boundary. Partially obscured by sycamore. Not possible to be entirely sure that this tree is in this position rather than in the grounds of Spaniards Field.
7	1		TPO-C10	T14	Wildwood Rise	north corner of 4	oak	In Spaniards Field, next to boundary of 4. Looks like group of 2 oaks, not possible to be sure of location from Wildwood Rise, or indeed, if one or two trees remain although the tree canopy is dense
7		8	WILR0T1g		Wildwood Rise	2-6 streets trees	London plane	an avenue of 8 ,4 either side of the road, asymmetrical in that southern quartet are bigger. On Barnet street tree database although they are in a private road
7		1	WILRT02		Wildwood Rise	3 front garden near boundary with 2	Weeping Willow	big, graceful, tree brings movement to otherwise static view.
7		1	WILRT03		Wildwood Rise	3 front garden towards boundary with 4	sycamore	double leader, fine rounded shape; contrasts nicely with the movement of willow
7		2	WILRT04g		Wildwood Rise	6 by boundary with Wildwood Road.	Silver Birch	1 or 2 multistem birches, some ivy on trunks.
7		1	WILRT05		Wildwood Rise	6, in yew hedge line on wildwood road.	Sycamore	good airy crown. Tall and broad.
7		1	WILRT06		Wildwood Rise	in street at north junction with Wildwood road.	liquidambar	street tree belonging to the Trust; will look magnificent in autumn colours; visible as you come north around bend of Wildwood Rd. Anomaly also on Barnet street tree list as is the oak on the opposite corner.
7	1		TPO-C10	T4	Wildwood Road	4 on rear boundary	oak	2 oaks can be seen from Wildwood Rise amongst the crowns of other trees. Exact location impossible to see, may be in Spaniards Field
7	1		TPO-C20	T11	Wildwood Road	23	crab	good
7	1		TPO-C20	T10	Wildwood Road	21	oak	good
7			TPO-C20	Т9	Wildwood Road	21	Lawson cypress	MISSING
7	1		TPO-C20	Т8	Wildwood Road	19	birch	poor
7	1		TPO-C20	Т7	Wildwood Road	opposite corner 19	ash	good
7	1		TPO-C20	Т6	Wildwood Road	rear of 13	lime	good
7			TPO-C20	T5	Wildwood Road	front of 13	birch	MISSING - but see WILDT05g below
7			TPO-C20	T17	Wildwood Road	rear of 38	liquidambar	MISSING
7			TPO-C20	T11	Wildwood Road	rear of 40	birch	MISSING
7	1		TPO-C20	T12	Wildwood Road	rear of 58	oak	good tree visible behind the house - seems to be part of a old line of oaks
7	1		TPO-C20	T13	Wildwood Road	rear of 56	oak	good tree visible behind the house - seems to be part of a old line of oaks
7	1		TPO-C20	T14	Wildwood Road	front of 54	lime	good - but in front of 56, very near the boundary with 54
7	1		TPO-C20	T4	Wildwood Road	front of 9	ash	false acacia missing - now an ash (fair) in this location . TPO QUERY
7	1		TPO-C20	Т3	Wildwood Road	front of 7	box elder	poor - now looks a rather miserable specimen

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7	1		TPO-C20 T2	Wildwood Road	rear of 7	Lombardy poplar	good
7			TPO-C20 T1	Wildwood Road	front of 1	crab	MISSING
7			TPO-C20 T18	Wildwood Road	rear of 3 north	birch	MISSING
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T2	Wildwood Road	26 Wildwood Rd/Footpath Ingram Avenue	birch	TPO QUERY: Not clear which of 2 birches in this location this is. There are 2 on the hedge-line and strangled by climbers.
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T3	Wildwood Road	rear of 26	ash	fine ash near boundary with Ingram Avenue. (position on Barnet map is shown nearer to the house than this tree)
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T4	Wildwood Road	rear of 26	oak	mature oak near boundary with Ingram Avenue. (position on Barnet map is shown nearer to the house than this tree)
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T61	Wildwood Road	rear of 22	oak	TPO QUERY , not visible from road as separate from tall trees on boundary and in Turners Wood but given the presence of oaks this has been included in the total of TPO trees.
7			TPO-F1N 29 T59	Wildwood Road	area south of 20	willow	MISSING, shown on Barnet map as near front boundary of 18 but listed as S. of 20
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T54	Wildwood Road	centre of 16	sycamore	Good condition and shape. Purple.
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T53	Wildwood Road	front of 14	deodar	Tall, fine beeches, in front partly hide it.
7			TPO-F1N 29 T52	Wildwood Road	front of 12	crab	MISSING
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T51	Wildwood Road	10 in boundary corner	beech	Mammoth, bulky, very good shape, mature, broad crown. On boundary with number 12.
7			TPO-F1N 29 T50	Wildwood Road	4 by footpath boundary	privet	MISSING
7	1		TPO-F1N 29 T49	Wildwood Road	4 by footpath boundary	oak	Extends across road, forming attractive arch. Shape partly masked by Yew Tree and Beech behind. Leans to south.
7		2	WILDT01g	Wildwood Road	rear of 32	ash	A pair of ash (followed by a sycamore & a 3rd ash) in hedge along Fairway Close.
7		1	WILDT02	Wildwood Road	front of 36	silver birch	A good silver birch framing the entrance to Bunkers Hill.
7		3	WILDT04g	Wildwood Road	rear of nos. 48, 50 & 52	oak	good trees, 1st & 3rd magnificent - look to be part of a old line of oaks
7		5	WILDT05g	Wildwood Road	front of 15	lime	A row of 5 limes within the front hedge stretching from beside no 13 to T7 above. Group TPO in place nearby.
7		1	WILDT06	Wildwood Road	front of 64	lime	good tree dominating the corner - may be a street tree as boundary unclear. Not on Barnet Street tree database TPO RECOMMENDATION
7		2	WILDT07g	Wildwood Road	rear of 68	oak	pair of fine old oaks alongside Kingsley Way
7		2	WILDT08g	Wildwood Road	rear of 11	ash	two good trees along boundary with no 13 - visible from Heath and road.
7		1	WILDT09	Wildwood Road	rear of 9	ash	good tree by boundary with no 11 - alongside the Heath. The 2 ash make a prominent frame to No 32 when going along Wildwood Rd. (including T12 & T13 above) visible behind the houses, it matches a street tree on the corner by no 15.
7		6	WILDT10g	Wildwood Road	26 rear garden	oak	line of oak trees, ,apprx.6, probably running along or close to the boundary and meeting Ingram Ave. An extension of the line of trees running N from here marking the border with the Golf Course land. Group TPOs in place nearby.
7		1	WILDT11	Wildwood Road	24 rear garden NE corner	oak	Huge oak which together with WILD10g opposite forms a green frame at this end of Ingram Ave. Group TPO in place nearby.
7		1	WILDT12	Wildwood Road	24 rear garden	?	Situated near to boundary with 22, this tree Towers above rear garden. Not yet identified species
7		5	WILDT13g	Wildwood Road	14 Front garden next to the road.	Beech	Line of 5, 2 north of drive and 3 to the south. Tall, fine group - effective as a line, in deep garden. Group TPO in place nearby.
7		3	WILDT14g	Wildwood Road	8, along hedge, next to the road.	Magnolia	Individually unremarkable but very nice line of 3, especially in flower.