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### Tree Report

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Contact: Geoff Carter, Highstone Property Services.

Site address: 27 Belsize Park, London, NW3.

Tree: Sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*).  
10-12m in height.  
50cm dch (diameter at chest height).

Location: The tree is situated in the rear garden of above property on the left hand boundary.  
The tree is a self sown Sycamore that has blown into the base of the boundary garden wall.

From the ground: The tree has grown to such an extent that is lifting the boundary wall with its buttresses and root system.  
This is resulting in the wall listing heavily into the neighbours rear garden.  
The tree has been managed in previous years with "Pollard" points visually obvious from the ground.

From the tree: On climbing the tree it was very noticeable that there is a lot of movement on the main stem which is of concern. The Sycamore has a slight lean towards children's play area, where it has been forced out from the wall towards the light over the years. The tree has a healthy canopy from the points of reduction and does not have any cavities that are retaining water or deep rot. Again the "un-natural" movement was more obvious when moving around crown.

Summary: With the trees movement, damage to the wall being pushed over into the neighbours and the lean of Sycamore towards children's play area the only course of action would be to remove tree to ground level.

We do not have records of previous works so it is difficult to know how long it has been worked on, what time of year works were carried out and the extent of stress the tree has been put under.

Kind regards  
Lee Johnson