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Belsize Park fire: Dozens tackle blaze at north London home



Firefighters tackling the house blaze in Belsize Park / London Fire Brigade

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Dozens of firefighters tackled a blaze at a north London home in the early hours of this morning.

Thick smoke was seen pouring from a building in Belsize Park from about 2.50am.

More than 70 firefighters were called to the three-storey semi-detached house in Antrim Grove.

Flames spread from the basement, to the ground and first floor of the property before reaching the stairwell, ground and first floor of the house next door.

London Fire Brigade confirmed it sent 10 fire engines and 72 firefighters and officers to tackle the blaze.

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Neighbours safely evacuated the second property when the brigade arrived.



Station manager Winston Douglas who was at the scene said: "Fire crews have worked really hard to stop fire spreading even further into adjacent properties."





Firefighters tackling the blaze at a house in Belsize Park London Fire Brigade / London Fire Brigade



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”Crews installed a fire curtain in the adjoining property. This is a unique situation as they are usually used in theatres and shopping centres to stop fire spreading.

“Crews will be here for most of the morning. Roads are closed in the area and motorists

Belsize Grove.

”Access to England’s Lane is also restricted.”

Fire crews from Edmonton, Kentish Town, West Hampstead, Soho, Euston, Hornsey, Hendon and Paddington fire stations attended.

Nobody was found inside the property.

The cause of the fire is not known at this stage.

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