

REMEDIAL NOTICE - ENF/328/24

IMPORTANT - THIS COMMUNICATION AFFECTS YOUR PROPERTY AT HILLSIDE VIEWS, WARLEY ROAD, UPMINSTER, RM14 1TR ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ACT 2003

ISSUED BY: London Borough of Havering (herein after referred to as "the Council")

1. THE NOTICE

This Notice is issued by the Council under section 69 of the Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 pursuant to a complaint about a high hedge situated at Hillside Views, Warley Road, Upminster, RM14 1TR. The Council has decided that the hedge in question is adversely affecting the reasonable enjoyment of the property at Long Meadow Farm, Upminster, RM14 1TR and that action should be taken in relation to the hedge with a view to remedying the adverse effect and preventing its recurrence.

2. THE HEDGE TO WHICH NOTICE RELATES

The hedge extends along part of the rear boundary of Hillside Views, Warley Road, Upminster, RM14 1TR. The hedge which is the subject of this notice is shown in red on the attached plan and as being within the points indicated by the red outline and marked **1a**, **1b**, **and 1c** on the attached plan and aerial photograph.

3. WHAT ACTION MUST BE TAKEN IN RELATION TO THE HEDGE

Initial Action

The Council requires the following steps to be taken in relation to the hedge before the end of the period specified in paragraph 4 below;

- (1) Reduce the height of the hedge marked **1a** on the attached Plan and Aerial Photograph to a height not exceeding **7.6 metres** above ground level at its base;
- (2) Reduce the height of the hedge marked **1b** on the attached Plan and Aerial Photograph to a height not exceeding **3 metres** above ground level at its base;

(3) Reduce the height of the hedge marked **1c** on the attached Plan and Aerial Photograph to a height not exceeding **8.3 metres** above ground level at its base;

Preventative Action

Following the end of the period specified in paragraph 4 below, the following steps to be taken in relation to the hedge:

- (i) maintain the height of the hedge marked **1a**on the attached Plan and Aerial Photograph so that at no time does it exceed a height of **8.6m** above ground level
- (ii) maintain the height of the hedge marked **1b** on the attached Plan and Aerial Photograph so that at no time does it exceed a height of **4m** above ground level
- (iii) maintain the height of the hedge marked **1c** on the attached Plan and Aerial Photograph so that at no time does it exceed a height of **9.3m** above ground level;

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It is recommended that the hedge is cut back annually to a height of 7.6m (section 1a), 3m (section 1b) and 8.3m (section 1c). This allows room for the hedge to regrow between annual trimmings and still not exceed a height of: section 1a: 8.6m, section 1b: 4m, section 1c: 9.3m.

All works should be carried out in accordance with good arboricultural practice/BS 3998: 'Recommendations for Tree Work'.

It is recommended that skilled contractors are employed to carry out this specialist work. For a list of approved contractors to carry out works on trees and hedges, see the Arboricultural Association's website at www.trees.org.uk.

In taking the action specified in this Notice, special care should be taken not to disturb wild animals that are protected by the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. This includes birds and bats that nest or roost in trees.

4 TIME FOR COMPLIANCE

The initial action step (1) specified in paragraph 3 to be complied with in full within

TWO MONTHS of the date specified in paragraph 5 of this notice.

5 WHEN THIS NOTICE TAKES EFFECT

This Notice takes effect on 21st November 2025 on the date when this Notice is issued.

6 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE NOTICE

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Failure by any person who, at the relevant time is an owner or occupier of the land where the hedge specified in paragraph 2 above is situated:

a. To take action in accordance with Initial Action specified in paragraph 3 with the period specified in paragraph 4 by any time stated there;

may result in prosecution in the Magistrates Court with a fine of up to £1,000. The Council also has power, in these circumstances, to enter the land where the hedge is situated and carry out the specified works. The Council may use these powers whether or not a prosecution is brought. The costs of such works will be recovered from the owner or occupier of the land.

Dated: 21st November 2025

Signed:

GEORGE ATTA-ADUTWUM

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