Local list description and map for Harrow Cemetery, Pinner Road

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This area meets the following criteria for local listing:

- (A) Date and rarity. The older a designed landscape is, and the fewer the surviving examples of its kind, the more likely it is to have special interest. Likely to be designated are:
 - i. sites with a main phase of development post-1840 which are of special interest and relatively intact, the degree of required special interest rising as the site becomes closer in time
- (B) Further considerations which may influence selection, and may exceptionally be sufficient by themselves to merit:
 - i. Sites with a strong group value with other heritage assets

Summary and introduction:

Harrow Cemetery is of interest as a 19th century cemetery founded by Harrow Burial Board in 1887 and consecrated in 1888. The cemetery has a small one-storey redbrick chapel but the entrance lodge which is locally listed in 'Norman Shaw style', although the lodge was demolished in 1985. At the entrance are wooden gates and piers, leading to a straight axial drive with lawns on either side. Cemetery planting includes a couple of araucaria, flowering cherries, holly and yew, and four London planes along the road boundary and the southern part has formal flower beds with some exotic shrubs.

Details:

Although family plots are still in use it is no longer used for burials, having been superseded by Harrow Weald Cemetery and Pinner New Cemetery.

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