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LB Camden Planning Department

18 January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

Application No: 2023/3861/P – Primrose Hill Perimeter Gates London, W1H 2BQ

Installation of gates to existing entrances to Primrose Hill open space at: Elsworthy Terrace, Primrose Hill and Oppidans Road, Primrose Hill Road and Ainger Road, Primrose Hill Road and Regent's Park Road, Regent's Park Road and Fitzroy Road, Regent's Park Road and Albert Terrace, Prince Albert Road and Albert Terrace, Prince Albert Road and Ormonde Terrace, Ormonde Terrace and St. Edmund's Terrace.

Thank you for consulting The Gardens Trust in relation to the above planning application.

I write as a member of the Planning & Conservation Working Group of the London Historic Parks & Gardens Trust (trading as London Parks and Gardens – LPG). LPG is affiliated to The Gardens Trust (TGT – formerly the Garden History Society and the Association of Gardens Trusts), which is a statutory consultee in respect of planning proposals affecting sites included in the Historic England (English Heritage) Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest. Inclusion of a site in the Historic England (HE) Register is a material consideration in determining a planning application.

LPG is the gardens trust for Greater London and makes observations on behalf of TGT in respect of registered sites, and may also comment on planning matters affecting other parks, gardens and green open spaces, especially when included in the LPG's Inventory of Historic Spaces (see <https://londongardenstrust.org/conservation/inventory/>) and/or when included in the Greater London Historic Environment Register (GLHER).

In this instance we are aware that Primrose Hill is on the National Heritage List for England (NHLE), Parks & Gardens and is registered on the LPG Inventory (see <https://londongardenstrust.org/conservation/inventory/site-record/?ID=CAM078>)

LPG has considered the information that you have provided and based on this we have the following comments on this proposal.

We consider that the replacement of temporary Heras fencing with the gates as proposed would provide an aesthetic improvement to the park entrances, however we are concerned that the gates could be closed without restrictions as to when and why. Traditionally, the public has had unrestricted access at all times of the day and night to Primrose Hill. Should planning consent for the proposal be granted, we consider that there should be conditions attached to the permission specifying that the gates can only be closed under certain and restricted conditions, and that under normal circumstances all the gates should remain open.



This does not in any way signify either our approval or disapproval of the proposals and should new information come to light that may have an impact on the heritage asset the Trust reserves the right to alter its observations.

Yours sincerely,

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For and on behalf of the Planning & Conservation Working Group

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- The Gardens Trust

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