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Charles Thuaine,
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Dear Mr. Thuaine,

I am writing to object most strongly to the demolition of Athlone House.

In 2005 Planning Permission was given for a developer to build new flats in part of the grounds, providing he restored the main house. Having built the flats, the developer then sold the remaining site and house on to a new owner.

This new owner has applied for permission to demolish the house and replace it with a much larger mansion - unsuitable in both style and size for its position on the edge of the Heath - at the same time ignoring the promise to restore the house - a promise which even after ~~said~~ on - has to be honoured.

The area of the new house would be over 60% larger than the existing house. This contravenes the rules on rebuilding houses in Metropolitan Open Land such as the Heath. These rules were upheld in 2008 by the Court of Appeal in respect of the Gander House Site by Hampstead Heath - as a result of local action.

I have known and loved the Heath all my life - having lived at the above address since I was born in 1930 and would

be very sad if permission were
to be given for such a house
right on the edge of the Heath
and immediately adjacent to
Kenwood House which has
recently been restored.

The part of the Heath immediately
adjacent to the grounds of Athlone
House is known as "Cher's Field"
named after Sir Waytey Cher
who once owned Caen Wood
Towers (now called Athlone House)
and who gave this part
of his land to be added to the
Heath for the enjoyment of the
people.

Yours sincerely

Patricia Fox (Mrs)