



Hello,

My name is Samuel Peterson, and I'm a resident of Camden, and a student at Triyoga, Primrose Hill. I am writing to share with you my concerns surrounding the proposed changes in the planning application reference 2013/6326/P.

I've been living in Belsize Park, Chalk Farm and Kentish Town for going on 6 years now, but my history with the area pre-dates my arrival in the UK as a resident in February, 2008 by a further 5 years at least. I work in the video games industry, and my previous employer had offices in Old Street here in London, so when I would have occasion to come to our London campus (about 5 times a year), I was always looking for venues to practice my yoga. Despite its distance from either my hotel or the offices I attended at the time, Triyoga Primrose Hill was one of the first yoga studios in London, and remains one of the best, and it is for this reason that I went out of my way to make it to Primrose Hill every morning.

It was Triyoga Primrose Hill which made me choose to live in the area when I accepted a job with my current employer in 2008. I judged all potential flats by their proximity to Triyoga both to ensure that I was able to attend classes daily in my commute to and from work, but also because of the very special quality that a centre like Triyoga brings to a community. Namely, I believe that people who seek out physical fitness/health and people who seek out spiritual/social awareness are both kinds of people who enrich the communities they live in. Practitioners of yoga pursue both emotional/spiritual fitness and physical fitness through their practice, and in my experience tend to bring a great deal of compassion and care to the world.

Triyoga Primrose Hill is the place where I learn how to carry compassion throughout my day in London.

It is also the place where I met my life partner, and numerous dear friends who form part of our London community.

It has become part of the beating heart that defines the area, and any action which might preclude them from staying in their current space would be detrimental to the surrounding community. Please consider this when making your decision as to whether or not to grant the landlord's request. Please let us keep our community healthy by affording Triyoga the chance to continue facilitating the important work that goes on within their walls.

