## Planning Application 2017/2608/P at Sumatra Road Open Space

Local residents have welcomed the consultation process for the improvements to Sumatra Road Open Space and are supportive of upgrading the facilities. There are issues relating to the planning application registered by Camden Parks to move the front boundary and include an additional gate which local residents object to, namely:

1. Moving Part of Front Boundary Forward to Pavement Edge There is anti-social use of the open space mainly after the gates are closed. The issue has been recognised by the Safer Neighbourhood team and Camden Community Safety Unit. The Fire Brigade has also attended. Residents are concerned that the proposals to move the railings forward do not address the current level of Anti-Social Behaviour and may increase them.

Camden no longer has park rangers/security and advise residents to report issues to the Met Police. This places a burden on the limited resources of the local police. Taking this into consideration the proposed new "social area with table tennis table provision is located too close to the road and changes the whole frontage of the park and changes the character of the road. The fencing line should not be moved as it represents the building line of the street.

Bringing forward the railings to the edge of the pavement removes a small but highly valued area of green space which is currently open to all, not just park users. The West Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan calls for areas of green and open space to be protected.

If the table tennis could be moved back behind the football area it would be more safely contained and avoid children running onto pavement and road to retrieve balls.

## 2. Additional Gate

The current one gate allows parents to keep a good check on their children. Also a second gate would lead out onto a bend in the road where there are poor sightlines and parked cars. Views are further obstructed by a double telephone cabinet. Traffic speed and volume of cars at certain times of the day is high. An additional gate must involve more risk to children's safety and should be dropped.

## 3. Increased Noise to Residents.

The positioning of the table tennis table and the two self-closing gates will increase the level of intrusive noise, and reduces level of privacy and amenity for close residents. Current levels of noise from slamming of footballs against metal fence and gates closing can be disturbing. This would seem a good opportunity to reduce the noise for the benefit of all.

We ask that our objections to parts of the scheme be considered when a decision to grant planning permission is considered.

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