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## Dear Ms Ryan,

I'm writing to you direct as I wanted to include the photo below with comments on behalf of my members.

More than a doze of my residents association have raise concerns with park authorities about this clumsy development.

The rear of Qualam Centre's building located on Kilburn High Road overlooks Kilburn Grange Park - a green area used by many

residents locally. Without planning permission- months ago- the centre trespassed into the park, cut down two trees, raised a fence

and began to develop the ground floor as a patio with large doors leading out to the back. This encroached on park property which is covenanted to the wider community. The makeshift double extension on the two upper floors uses poor standard materials and is out of keeping with the adjoining rear elevations along the block (the drawing labelled 'the existing rear elevation' illustrates how this pre-emptive build disrupts the balance of the facades and harms the amenity of the park as it can be seen from almost every corner of the open space.



After many park users complained, Camden issued an enforcement notice, asking Qualam to stop work and apply for the necessary planning permission. Several of the supportive comments from their community in the relevant documents are inaccurate - they have crossed the park boundary, interfered with public trees and 'for their own benefit' exploited their proximity to the park and others users enjoyment of it.

This enforced retrospective application does not redeem the material harm and circumvention of planning rules.

We request that the current construction should be removed and the trees felled by Qualam - reinstated - as well as a fencing marking where park property begins agreed with Camden Parks and Enforcement. Please refuse this application so that Qualam can apply, if they wish, to build in an appropriate way, with acceptable design and materials, on their own property with consultation and permission to do so before they begin.

Thank you

West Hampstead Gardens & Residents Association (WHGARA)