

<b>Application No:</b>	<b>Consultees Name:</b>	<b>Received:</b>	<b>Comment:</b>	<b>Response:</b>
2021/3797/P	Jane Roberts	21/09/2021 08:28:48	OBJ	<p>The Iveagh Bequest (Kenwood) Act 1929 provides (clause 6(a) of the Schedule) that the Kenwood Estate is an "open space" within the meaning of the Open Spaces Act 1906. It is listed as an open space by The Historic England "Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England" and in the Council's "Camden Open Space, Sport and Recreation Study" (2014) (Table 6.10). As an "open space", the Kenwood Estate should (paraphrasing section 10 of the Open Spaces Act 1906) "be held and administered in trust to allow, and with a view to, the enjoyment thereof by the public as an open space .. and for no other purpose".</p> <p>Whilst not providing details, the application implies that a significant part of the estate surrounding Kenwood House will be fenced off from free access by the public for 12 weeks between 1 November 2021 and 22 January 2022 in contravention of the Open Spaces Act.</p> <p>If the Council grants this application, it will be failing in its civic duty to ensure that the public open space of the Kenwood Estate is safeguarded from blatant attempts at commercialisation. If this application is granted, it could set a precedent for similar unacceptable events such as funfairs, circuses and the like being held on the Kenwood Estate and on other dedicated public open spaces within the borough.</p>

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