

Legal Officer (Litigation)  
Legal Department  
Islington Council  
Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD

Dear Mr Suzi,

**RE: OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSALS PUT FORWARD BY MARCUS COOPER**

I am writing in support of Islington council's application to oppose the ludicrous proposal set out by Mr. Cooper to charge local residents for access to the public gardens in Myddelton Square.

The gardens were intended to be used freely by all local residents and that should remain the case. It is much needed public space used by a wide variety of people every day.

Compiling a list of prices paid for private gardens in Kensington & Chelsea bears no relevance to Islington borough and does not justify now trying to start charging for gardens that have always been open to the public. As a long term local resident, I would object to paying any sum of money to use the gardens.

It is hugely disappointing that Mr. Cooper obtained the freehold to begin with, they have been let fall into a very bad state during these ongoing discussions and he now wants to close them off to the people who use them every day as they were intended to be used – as a public space. It would have a negative effect on the local community if he succeeds so I hope the council are forceful (and successful) in their appeal.

Yours Sincerely,

Deborah Kirk & Igor Shoomin