

Dear Mr Suzic

We are writing as relatively new residents of Myddelton Square to oppose the proposal put forward by Marcus Cooper relating to Myddelton Square gardens. We disagree with the analysis of Mr Robert Orr-Ewing in his statement in respect of Myddelton Square Gardens, EC1 which was forwarded to us by Monica Potts of the Myddelton Square Association.

The comparison of Myddelton Square gardens with gardens in other London squares is facile. In particular, whilst at least noting briefly that there is a church in Myddelton Square, Mr Orr-Ewing fails to outline the history of the square and the intention that it should be used as a public space. In his cost/benefit analysis he puts no value on public use. There is no mention of the value of the use of the garden, and of the children's playground, for public recreation.

The suggestion that Myddelton Square Gardens should be closed and that access should be restricted to residents is risible. We urge Islington Council staunchly to oppose these plans.

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