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From: Planning Support
Subject: FW: Comment Received from Public Access

Application Reference No. : HGY/2015/1349
Site Address: 49A Oxford Road London N4 3EY
Comments by: Katia Lom
From:

Stroud Green Road
Area resident for 8 years

Submission: Objection
Comments: This is a historical art deco building. It would be a loss to the area, the community and its citizens of its cultural history and identity.
The building should be renovated and NOT demolished. And the council should enforce fines on the damage that has been done by the dreadful cement that has been applied to the front of the building and is hiding much of the art deco detail.
I would be very surprised that this demolition, based on the cultural and historical value of this building, can be even considered. Regeneration of the Finsbury Park area is destroying its heritage and history, the very reason why the area has been so popular and appreciated it. In addition, it is appalling to consider building student housing when so many local residents, who have lived in the area for decades, are being forced out of the area because of the lack of affordable housing. If this building will have housing (if it is to be renovated), then it should be made available to people who have lived in Finsbury Park for many years and are being priced out of the area. Not rich students moving to London subsidized by their parents.