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Dear Sirs

Re Application No R/141/15/PL Case Officer Mr D Easton

This letter is written on behalf of Mrs A D Tilling, owner of 4 Hazel Lodge, Cudlow Gardens, for whom we hold Power of Attorney.

We wish to register our objections to the above proposal submitted by Mr & Mrs Martin of 8 Flint House, Cudlow Gardens, for replacement of balcony railings.

Our objections are based on the information we have received and are submitted for the following reasons:

1/ The drawing submitted with the application [Iron Designs] does not represent the actual situation on that balcony because that particular rail extends as a continuous rail across the adjoining flat, whereas the drawing shows it to be self-supporting between two walls. A centre wall does not exist.

2/ It would be unacceptable to have half the length of the existing rail left in the old style, and half in the new proposal: that would frankly look quite ridiculous even if an acceptable method of connection could be engineered with the adjoining owners' permission and agreement. The aspect from Hazel Lodge in particular would be an eyesore and therefore an ongoing and upsetting annoyance.

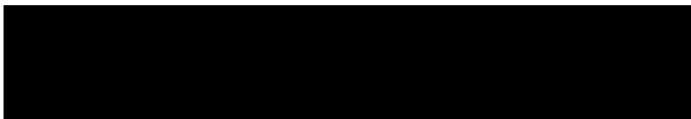
3/ There do not appear to have been any general consultations by the Managing Agents with all of the owners of the flats on the development asking for their views, and in particular there has been no consultation with the residents of Hazel Lodge who will be most affected.

4/ If this proposal were to proceed then it could, and indeed would, create a precedent for any future replacement railings needed to follow the same design. It is highly likely that some owners might not want that, and may prefer an alternative design, hence the need for consultation with all owners, to establish an acceptable design which would not only suit everyone, but would remain in keeping with the age and architectural style of the development. Apart from remedial works for deterioration or maintenance, there can be no other logical reason to change the style. It would not be acceptable for each individual flat to be allowed to create a different style of balcony.

5/Whilst the use by Mr & Mrs Martin of phrases such as "danger to young and old alike" and "Duty of Care" may have some relevance, they should not be used as an emotional tool to intimidate their fellow neighbours/owners, nor indeed the Planning Authority. We understand that there have been no known or recorded incidents since the development was built.

In the light of all of the above, we would ask you to seriously consider our objections and reject this application.

Yours faithfully,



Linda & David Coleman

