
A Note to Proprietors from the Official Grosvenor & Lansdowne Gardens Committee

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Dear Proprietors

We refer to the request dated 6th April, from the five individual proprietors currently calling themselves “the elected committee” for payment of the annual Gardens Assessment (prior to its annual due date) into a new bank account recently set up by them.

The Official Gardens Committee would very strongly advise proprietors **to ignore this request.**

Legal advice has been sought by various proprietors, from three different leading Scottish Law firms. All three, highly regarded, firms consider the actions of the individual proprietors (currently calling themselves “the elected committee”) to be unlawful. It is noted that two previous members of this group have **already resigned.**

Thorntons Solicitors, in their letter of 16th December 2025 issued to certain individuals, confirms that as a matter of law, any ‘body’, other than the long-established Grosvenor and Lansdowne Crescent Gardens’ Committee (GLC), lacks any proper basis to act in relation to the management of the Gardens. Thorntons continue to state that the GLC has been well established and operating in relation to the management of the Gardens for a considerable period of time, and is, in their view the ‘body’ with legal responsibility for that management.

All three law firms consulted unanimously consider the present so-called “elected committee” to have no legal authority.

To ensure our legal obligations are met, the Official Gardens Committee has continued to instruct the gardeners and tree surgeons to continue with their work. We have personally paid for this work to be carried due to our funds being transferred out of our bank account without consent of the authorised trustees. We continue to work with the Bank in relation to this matter.

The Official Committee will request the Annual Assessment of £90 for 2026/2027, in the summer when it is due.

We will keep you updated on this unfortunate situation, however in the meantime we urge you not to make payments to any ‘body’, other than to the Official Gardens Committee.

Yours faithfully

Official Grosvenor & Lansdowne Gardens Committee