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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Dear Sirs,

Garden ground on corner of Greyfriars Garden and St Mary's Place, St Andrews

The office of Henderson Black & Co is directly opposite the garden and has windows on the first and second floors, which directly overlook it. We are therefore only too aware of the unkempt appearance of the garden, which, for many years has become a dumping ground for litter and all sorts of unwanted items. To the best of our knowledge, it has not been tended for at least ten years and has become completely overgrown.

We know of the attempts made over almost 20 years by various local bodies, such as the Community Council, the St Andrews Preservation Trust and now Poets' Neuk, to remove this eyesore and replace it with something which is a real asset to the town.

We support Poets' Neuk's proposal to create a well-kept public open space, highlighting the origins of the site as a mediaeval Franciscan monastery and its connections with Mary, Queen of Scots. We wish them well with their application to acquire the garden through Community Right to Buy.

Yours faithfully

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