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Vandals have “completely wrecked” an abandoned building by painting graffiti on the front and squatting inside.

The MAN building, in Crown Road, on the junction with Southbury Road, Enfield, has also been used for illegal raves and parties in the last few months.



Formerly used as a car factory, the Grade II listed building closed down more than a year ago and Enfield Borough Council is now looking for a new owner.

David Cockle, the chairman of the Enfield Society, has been left concerned by the way the way the building has fallen into disrepair.

He said: “It once had a very nice, manicured garden – but now it’s just been completely wrecked. It’s a huge shame.

“I recently discovered that squatters have been on site and it’s generally in a deplorable state. It doesn’t give a good impression to people visiting the area for the first time.

“It’s such a high profile site and one we should be proud of, but now it just looks awful.”

Earlier this year, people in nearby Angelsey Road, said their houses were “shaking like an earthquake was happening” after an illegal rave.

The party included loud music and continued until 3pm the next afternoon – a total of 15 hours.

Graffiti tags have now been emblazoned on the front of the building, which has been boarded up.

Mr Cockle, 62, added: “For a listed building to be left like that, it’s terrible.

“The plants and shrubs are overgrown too – it’s sad to see it so run down.

“It used to be such an attractive building.”

The Enfield Independent is awaiting comment from Enfield Borough Council.

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