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Dear Sirs

I write with regards to the draft proposal to put a crematorium on the Firs Farm Recreation Ground site and I wish to register my opposition to the same as a resident of Bush Hill Park.

The Recreation Ground is a very pleasant green space used by local people and made better by local people. This is a space that can be enjoyed by many living in the Borough who do not have access to their own garden or outside space. Furthermore it is a place that has nurtured wildlife and should in my view be treasured, not taken away. Furthermore it has only been in situ for a short period and all of the time, energy and money spent on the same will be wasted which cannot be right to the taxpayers of the Borough.

I would like to know what the need for a crematorium is when there is already a large one on the A10 and the local cemetery has recently expanded in size. Whilst honouring the dead is of course important, so is ensuring that there are spaces to be outside and be enjoyed for those of us still very much living.

I am proud to live in such a green borough with lots of lovely parks and outdoor spaces and that should in my view continue.

Many thanks for considering this email when consulting on the proposals in the draft local plan.

Regards