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I am writing to object to draft policy DM BG10 page 380 in the Draft Enfield Local Plan whereby the Council propose to allocate Firs Farm Wetlands (Site ID SA 59) as a site for burial and/or crematorium use.

Allocating land currently used as a sports field for the proposed crematorium would surely contradict the council's Strategic Policy (SP CL4 in the local plan) of using Firs Farm to facilitate and contribute to sport and leisure facilities in the Borough.

It would also be detrimental to the health of local residents. Firs Farm wetlands is a valued community asset and as a precious green space it greatly benefits our physical and mental wellbeing.

It is also an important site for nature conservation and the proposal would have a significant detrimental effect on the area's biodiversity.

A crematorium or burial site would also have a significant adverse impact on local traffic. There are three schools near to the proposed site as well as the Barrowell Green recycling centre. Traffic congestion is already a problem and one that would only be exacerbated by the addition of regular funeral courteses.

I call on the Council to remove all reference to Firs Farm wetlands from Policy DM BG10.