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Dear Enfield Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this important consultation.

I am writing, as I live in Enfield, to object to all of the plans based on the fact that the residents of Enfield have not been informed well enough. It has just come to light days before the deadline and this is unacceptable. There will be many people who just don't know about these plans and going ahead with them on the pretence that there was not enough objections is not good enough. People cannot object to things they do not know about.

However, I'd like to specifically to object to the draft policy DM BG10 in the Draft Enfield Local Plan. This allocates Firs Farm Wetlands (Site ID SA59) as a site for burial and/or cremation use. I personally oppose this policy because I use this area for exercise almost daily. I have been working from home since the beginning of the pandemic and my company has no imminent plans to get all the staff back in the office. Therefore I need breaks both physically and mentally to cut the monotony of being in one room in my house all day. I rely on walks and cycle rides around the path that encompasses both the Wetlands and the playing field next to it. Putting a crematorium in the playing field would cut the path in half and make the whole experience unattractive and I just would not go there anymore. It is not just me that relies on this space. I regularly see the same people using the same space and during the height of the first lockdown, the area was so popular, it became overcrowded,

I cannot understand why the council would spend so much money on rejuvenating the Wetlands only to lessen its value by building a Crematorium next to it. I understand that the proposal will take out the small wooded area and ancient hedgerow that separates the Wetlands and Playing field and to all intensive purposes, everyone considers this to be part of the Wetlands. I'm sure the wildlife that come to the wetlands also come because of this wooded area and hedgerow. Even if this bit was spared, the concept of getting exercise in the fresh air by walking around a crematorium befuddles me. I also understand that an autism friendly café and sensory garden will still get the go-ahead next to the tennis courts but that too will be unattractive to visit wedged next to the crematorium.

Then there's the traffic and parking to consider. There is already not enough parking on days where there are football games in the playing fields and the road width restrictions can already increase the traffic at busy times of the day. The traffic along Barrowell Green will increase and it is already bad outside the recycling centre at certain times of the day and there is a cycle lane in the actual road of Barrowell Green which will not fare well with increased traffic. The poor unfortunate people who are spending their final days in the Hospice on the corner of Barrowell Green and Ash Grove will now have to watch hearses drive past in their final days.

I understand the Firs Farm Wetlands has funding secured for future projects and that this could be in jeopardy if the Crematorium goes ahead. Whether technically the playing field between

the Wetlands and the tennis courts is the Wetlands or not, to local people, it is all the same thing. My daughter used to use the path from Firs Lane to the A10 underpass to walk to school when she went to Latymer as do many other students. The council in theory encourages walking and this could all be in jeopardy by constructing a crematorium in this space.

I also want to specifically object to SA32, Sainsburys Green Lanes N21 3RS. Page 351 of Enfield Local Plan: Redevelopment of supermarket and car park to mixed-use homes and non-residential floor space. Again I regularly walk to Sainsbury's to get my shopping doing all the right things to keep me healthy and keep Enfield greener by not polluting the air with car fumes. Closing this down will force me to drive somewhere further, stopping me from getting exercise and polluting the air. I also cannot understand building more flats and closing a supermarket. The two things seem mutually exclusive. Surely an area needs more supermarkets if there are more flats? The cycle lanes, the LTNs in the Fox Lane area and the one-way road system stopping cars entering New River Crescent and Lightcliffe Road has already increased the traffic on Green Lanes and Bourne Hill. Redeveloping Sainsbury's Winchmore Hill to with 299 houses and 13,325 sq ft commercial space will surely increase the traffic even more? Increased traffic equals increased pollution and this is still very close to the Firs Farm Wetlands so potentially having an impact on the wildlife there too.

I am very disappointed with Enfield council not only for the nature of these proposals but for not making a better effort to notify the public. Most people do not regularly read the Enfield website and surely you are aware of this. Although I have not detailed the other proposals, I am not happy with high rises in Enfield Town or building on Green Belt land near Crewes Hill. This is not central London and doing this sort of construction will change the dynamic of Enfield forever. These proposals are making Enfield a not so sought after place to live.