

Dear Cllr Andrexlandrou and Cllr Barnes,

I am writing to express my strongest opposition to Enfield council's plan to build a crematorium in the Firs Farm Wetlands area. As a local resident (I live just off Firs Lane) and a teacher at Firs Farm School, I am very concerned by these plans. There are 3 schools and 1 nusery within the vicinity of the chosen location for the crematorium; it would be insane to allow the release of so much carbon dioxyde (about as much as 2 full tanks of petrol per cremation, i'm told!!) so close to where nearly 3 thousands children study 5 days a week.

The Firs Farm Wetlands are a very popular nature park. It should not be adjacent to a crematorium. While I understand the need of such a facility in the borough, could it not be possible to modernise / enlarge the existing one situated on the A10? Failing that, I believe that a new crematorium should be built away from housing and schools, like on the A10, right next to the newly created extention to the Church Street cemetary. And I guess the skate park could be relocated next to the tennis courts and football pitches on Firs Lane so all sports and recreation activities could be centered.

A crematorium off Firs Lane is a foolish idea and I strongly oppose it. There are other alternatives that I invite you to consider.