

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a local resident and am appalled that the council will deem it fit for a crematorium to be built at a site which is across the road from one of the boroughs best secondary schools! Winchmore Hill. It is also a stones throw away from two primary schools Firs Farm and Highfields (two schools that have received out standing status by Ofsted in recent years).

What kind of local council would see it acceptable and fit for purposes for our kids to be constantly be breathing in the plumes of smoke of our lost ones on a daily level. Is it right that teachers will have to explain to reception age children, and up to secondary school, that the establishment across the road and smell are that of burning bodies? The constant convoys of funeral precessions they will witeness on their way to and from school and lunch breaks? The borough has other crematoriums this an abhorrent plan. I am sure there have been many objections to this proposal already.

The plan also seems like the council is contradicting it's previous investment in the area of the wetlands (this surely would be seen as a misuse of funding?). There was soo much effort and plans along with financial funding into creating the wetlands for the local residents to use for recreational space. It has been embraced and used and enjoyed by lots of local people and families. Again what will the parents say to their children as they play in the wetlands and fields and walk their dogs when they see the smoke coming out. The thought of going to the wetlands to get some open fresh air will be replaced with a horrible thought of breathing in dust of human remains. This will deter families from using the wetlands as a place of recreation and leisure and will just turn into a place where drug deals can take place because they will become unused and secluded.

If this is what the council see as improving the borough for it's residents. I will definitely be voting for the opposition (whoever it is) for the next election and indeed look to move out of the borough.