

Dear Sir/ Madam

As a resident of Firs Lane and an Enfield Council Tax payer, I am writing to strongly object to the proposal to build a new Crematorium on the site of the Firs Farm Playing fields.

I think that this proposal is ludicrous as, especially in the last 16 months, this 'Green Space' has been an absolute 'God Send' for the local community. The creation of the 'Wetlands' has been a major success in the last couple of years for young families and older residents alike, taking advantage of the peaceful and natural surroundings.

I object to this proposal because the land it is on is used regularly by local residents for exercise and recreation and it will be a loss of an important community amenity. I think it is your duty as a local government to ensure that our environments support outdoor play, walking, cycling and other forms of active travel, and provide inspiring and safe opportunities for people to participate in physical activity and sport, as I believe sports pitches are a major component of the green network. I am sure that this proposed development does not comply with Government targets for physical activity because it removes a key outdoor open space used regularly for physical recreation.

Although I understand the need for a New Crematorium, I think maybe the proposed site, with its proximity to 3 schools in a densely populated area of Enfield and at the cost of a valuable 'Green Space', is not the answer and surely a much larger, quieter site in a less built up area would be a much better proposition.