

Dear Sir

I live in Rayleigh Road behind the above land and am absolutely appalled by the news that Enfield Council could be selling this to build a crematorium/burial grounds. This is a residential area for goodness sake. All crematoriums that I have been to are out of sight from anywhere where it is residential, and I object very strongly to this proposed build.

The grounds are used for lots of community events such as football clubs, regular school trips to promote biodiversity and much more. It's a lovely green space for all the community.

The cemetery on the A10 has already been extended and there should be no reason to extend it again. There are currently 8 cemeteries in Enfield and this planning application should be rejected. Residents have not even been consulted or asked what they would like this open land to be used for.

The land is public open space or could be classified as such; no proposals have been put forward for replacement of the public open space appropriated for cemetery use.

The land has not been fully investigated in respect to its suitability for the intended use, the site is known to have a high water table the use of the land for cemetery use will result in contamination of the groundwater.

It has been proved green open spaces and recreational areas are not just desirable but essential to the health and mental wellbeing of the community and not for asset disposal by Enfield council because it is convenient for planning purposes and there is alternative green space that can be used.

So to conclude, I am sending you my strong objections as not only is this green open space and especially the Wetlands a wonderful part of Winchmore Hill but it brings people together as a community. We have waited a long time for the Wetlands and it's lovely to see wildlife enjoying it as much as us!

I await your reply.....