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I should like to record my objections to the proposals relating to St Lukes Hospital and Cranwood. The area in which they are located has already been seriously damaged by a series of poor planning decisions, including in relation to St Lukes itself where a monstrous eyesore building was added and Tree House which destroyed open space and damaged the amenity value of the area. Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) has recently been sold by the Council to a private developer at the top of Cranley Gardens who has now created a car park on part of the former Parkland Walk. Under these circumstances, there should certainly be no further inappropriate development in this area and the proposals for both Cranwood and St Lukes have the potential to wreak still further devastation. They should be removed. Lessons should be learned from the awfulness of the recent developments here. There is already excessive traffic overload as a consequence of these previous decisions and enough really is enough.

More generally, I do not feel that the LDF gives sufficient attention to protecting open space even though I understand that this is supposed to be an objective. The notion that every area should be built upon to the maximum extent possible is outdated and wrong and should be dispensed with. It is absolutely pervasive however in this LDF. There should never again be any selling off of MOL by Haringey as has occurred at the top of Cranley Gardens and that particular land should continue to be designated as MOL in all future plans because its status remains that of MOL.

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