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To: LDF

Subject: Pinkham Wood

Dear Madam, Sir,

This is to register a protest against Haringey Council's proposal to re-designate the former Friern Barnet Sewage treatment site, changing its status from "Employment Use" - as designated in the Core Strategy pre-submission draft - to "Locally Significant Industrial Use". As one of only nine Haringey sites designated Grade 1 of "Borough Importance for Nature Conservation", where is the sense in making a change which so threatens the very thing identified as so valuable, and where is the new evidence to justify such a change?

Has consideration been given to alternative strategies such as "Metropolitan Open Land" or "Local Green Space" designation? Is the re-designation consistent with either national or regional policy? The more questions that are asked, the more seem to arise. Is it true that the proposed change in designation came about as a result of "pre-application discussions" relating to the proposal by North London Waste Authority and Barnet Council to build a waste-processing plant and refuse vehicle depot on the site?

This is clearly a matter of considerable concern to local residents who rightly or wrongly feel they are being manipulated by forces beyond their control - forces which, I'm sure you agree, should by the standards of any sort of democratic process be subject to rigorous scrutiny and held accountable by those elected to defend the rights, health and well-being of local communities.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I look forward to hearing both your response and the outcome of this proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Tim Brierley.

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