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To whom it may concern

Haringey Core strategy re-consultation

I strongly object to Haringey Council's proposal to re-designate the Former Friern Barnet Sewage Treatment site (Pinkham Wood) from its current 'Employment Use' designation to a Locally Significant Industrial Use designation on the following grounds:

No credible evidence has been produced to justify this proposed re-designation. On the contrary the updated Sustainability Appraisal pointed to the threat to the biodiversity value of this site. The proposed re-designation is inconsistent with national policy PPS9 paragraph 9 which states that networks of natural habitats provide a valuable resource, and fails to accord with the London Plan, Policy 7.19 Biodiversity and Access to Nature (D.c) giving protection to sites of borough nature conservation.

The proposed change of designation to a Locally Significant Industrial Use would only be deliverable if this Site of Importance for Nature Conservation of Borough Grade 1 importance was removed or substantially compromised, detrimentally affecting this ecologically rich and valuable site.

The change of designation would also open this site up to heavy industrial uses, such as the proposed massive 300,000 tonne new MBT waste plant. All the evidence is that the site and its location would be unable to accommodate such large scale industrial uses. The bigger the plant the bigger would be the impact on traffic congestion and existing poor air quality on and around some of the most congested roads in London. This would conflict with London Plan, Policy 7.14 Improving Air Quality (c) which requires development in this Air Quality Management Area to be 'air quality neutral' and does not lead to further deterioration of air quality.

I consider that the proposed re-designation is unsound on planning grounds and has been put forward to pave the way for the proposed major waste plant.

Yours sincerely

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