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Subject: Pinkham way - reclassification from employment to industrial use

I wish to object to the redesignation of this site from employment to industrial use. I object both on grounds of principle and to the reasons, or lack of, given for the redesignation.

The site is one of ecological importance, one of the few in the borough, and there would be a considerable impact on nature and wild life if the site became devoted to industrial use. There are certainly bats in the vicinity, as a significant number have been seen flying between the pond in Hollickwood Park and the PW site. Although I do not know whether the bats actually roost within the site or in Hollick wood Park, it is likely that whichever is the case they would be disturbed if the site were turned over to industrial use. There is also bird and other wild life on the site which would be affected by the proposal.

It is also likely that any industrial use would result in the destruction of trees, on a site where the trees provide at least some defence to the pollution of the North Circular Road. There would therefore be a significant adverse effect on the local environment.

The second issue on the redesignation is the rationale. No convincing reason has been put forward, One has to suspect that the desire of the NLWA and Barnet Council, which has a strong financial interest in the NLWA and its lorry park proposals, played an important part in persuading the Council to redesignate the site. Haringey itself also has a financial interest in the redesignation through its interest in the NLWA This does not appear to be a sound reason in law for the decision.

I therefore urge that the Council re-consider its decision to redesignate the site as industrial, and instead consider other possible designations such as 'green open space'

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