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**Attachments:** Pinkham Way objection.doc  
My response is below, also attached as a Word document.

Re: Haringey Council's re-consultation on Pinkham Way

2 October 2011

I most strongly object to Haringey Council's re-purposing of the Pinkham Way site because:

- It was an extremely devious and underhand political move, done purely to plonk an enormous waste facility onto some spare land, and makes a farce of the proper planning process.
- The land is a valuable piece of green space, with a fabulous range of flora and fauna, including a colony of bats (which an unbiased survey would establish very quickly - the existing survey was a sham).
- There is no regional or national policy supporting the change of land use.
- If the goal was to increase employment (which it obviously wasn't) it's a complete failure: relatively few jobs will be created relative to the size of the site. Other designations would have made it possible to create employment at the same time as protecting the environment.
- It's impossible to ignore the fact that this is all about a waste facility - which will encounter such massive opposition that it's unlikely to be allowed to be built or operate - all it will do is become a magnet for activism - so you may as well designate it as a campsite because that's what it will become.
- Instead of turning the site into industrial land, it should be opened up to the public, with footpaths and cycle trails, which this area needs more than a monstrous refuse facility.

Yours sincerely,  
Alistair McKechnie

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