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Subject: Response to consultation 22 Sept to 3 Nov 2011 re former Friern Barnet Sewerage Treatment site

I am writing on behalf of the Alexandra Residents Association in response to the consultation on the change in designation of the former Friern Barnet Sewerage Treatment site.

We do not believe there is any evidence based argument for the change in designation of this site from employment use to locally significant industrial use, or for removing the current caveat that the site's use be subject to no adverse effect on the nature conservation value of the site.

A more appropriate designation for the site would be Metropolitan Open Land, or local green space designation, as it is a key green corridor within the borough. Alternatively, the current designation for employment use should be kept, ie subject to no adverse impact on the nature conservation value of the site.

It is also not consistent with national policy. PPS9 is the overarching framework in which policies should be developed, particularly para 9 which states that networks of natural habitats provide a valuable resource.

It also does not accord with regional policy, see the London plan in particular Policy 7 7.14 and 7.18 to 7.21

Lastly, it is not deliverable. Th LSIS designation is only deliverable if the Grade 1 borough importance for nature designation is removed or compromised. The council's own additional evidence points out in relation to the Friern Barnett site that any development has the potential to have impacts in biodiversity, because it is a Site of importance for Nature Conservation.

By your own admission 'pre-application discussions have influenced this designation, I.e. Your discussions with NLWA and Barnet to construct a waste processing plant and an associated refuse vehicle depot.

For all the above reasons we do not feel the proposed redesignation is soundly based, and urge you to withdraw the proposals.

Yours faithfully

Sue Wagstaff

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