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Dear Sir / Madam,

It was recently brought to our attention that the Draft Enfield Local Plan contains a policy (DM BG16) which could allocate Firs Farm wetlands (Site ID SA59) as a site for burial / crematorium use. As local residents, we strongly oppose this policy and wish to see all reference to Firs Farm wetlands removed from Policy SP CL4.

The site under consideration on the Firs Farm wetlands is completely unsuited to have a burial ground / crematorium for several reasons:

Firstly, Firs Farm wetlands is a vital community resource that will be spoiled by the placement of a burial ground / crematorium on the site. Many people - including ourselves, use the wetlands to undertake daily physical exercise, and we also notice that many families take their young children there to introduce them to nature and for them to run around.. This will be completely spoiled if the intended plans are introduced.

In addition, the proposal will significantly affect the wetlands as a local site of interest for nature conservation, and there will surely be traffic management issues. Furthermore, the proposal will reduce the effectiveness of the flood alleviation provided by Firs Farm wetlands.

For these reasons, we call on the council to remove all reference to Firs Farm wetlands from Policy SP CL4.

Yours faithfully,