

I made a representation to the emerging local plan where I objected to the proposed designation of the former ICL grounds at Udney Park Road as Local Green space. I have reviewed the other representations made on the council website, in particular the representations made by the Quantum Group and the TCSG CIC. I would like to confirm that I completely support and agree with their positions they have put forward and the evidence they have produced which demonstrates that the green space allocation is inappropriate. I understand that in order to be allocated formally as green space a number of criteria must be achieved and reviewing Barton Wilmore's submission it seems that this has not been achieved. On this basis I do not feel the council's decision to allocate this site as LOCAL GREEN SPACE is sound or justified.

As a local resident, I feel it is important to protect the appearance of the area along with the character, however, there are major benefits to the community in considering how this site could be better used and accessible to the whole community but at the same time respect its appearance and character. I do not see how maintaining the site as it is now can be more important than allowing a small amount of development on the site – enabling older residents of LBRuT to benefit substantially rather than a small number of residents who benefit from its appearance and character in its current state.

I think the council should consider some sort of development on a small part of the site thus ensuring that the majority of the site is set aside as Local Green Space – designating the whole site as Local Green Space does not necessarily make it publically accessible which would, therefore, eventually deprive the community as a whole of public open space. As you know there is currently a fence all round the site thus denying the public access whereas the Quantum plan intends to have public footpaths thus opening the whole site to the community.

Yours faithfully

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