

I made a representation to the local plan objecting to Former ICL grounds at Udney Park Road being designated as Local Green Space. I have seen the representations made by Quantum and Teddington Community Sports CIC at their community consultations and I am writing to say that I support the representations they have submitted. My understanding is that a number of criteria has to be demonstrated in order for the space to be allocated formally as green space a number of criteria needs to be achieved. It seems to me on reading Barton Wilmore's submission this hasn't been achieved and feel that the council's decision to designate this as Local Green Space is not sound and is unjustified.

As someone who has lived and worked in Teddington I can see there are major benefits to the community in allowing a small amount of development whilst ensuring its character and appearance is retained as much as possible and I do not agree with those that think it is viable to maintain the site as it is in order to keep a small number of residents who live close to the site happy. This site has not been available for community use until Quantum allowed access to the CIC.

I think the Council needs to strengthen their policy and allow some sort of development and allow the rest of the site to be accessed by the public. I do not see how designating this site as Local Green Space will enable the public to access this land and will therefore deprive people of public open space which is so important for this area.

Regards

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