

Matte 10 Hearing Statement  
Jeonette Corfield.

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Attention of: Ian Kemp

We were never informed by the council of their proposed building plans and a survey of all residents (already submitted to council) substantiates this. Response from the council about this was that it was too expensive to send out leaflets that the information was on face book and twitter!!!.. (strange that we have all now received leaflets inviting residents "To have their say on 24<sup>th</sup> Sep/2012 which is rather late in the day.

It is inconceivable that the council would even consider building on Cherry Bounce field much used and much appreciated by many for recreational purposes all year round, from games to cricket to sledging, dog walking and much more. Particularly for children in the flats who need the freedom to play without restriction and in a safe environment.

Gadebrige Park together with the town centre are the two places used by people from all areas of Hemel Hempstead. The panoramic views from the land either side of the park are truly uplifting and are accessible to all. The value of this should not be underestimated. We have a duty to protect this for future generations. ONCE GONE LOST FOREVER.

There is also concern about the apparent erosion at the top of Cherry Bounce land. Several houses have had cracks appear over recent years on internal walls. One house adjacent to the field has a crack all the way down the outer brickwork. My house insurance policy states that I'm not insured for subsidence. If this development goes ahead and the adjacent properties are further damaged, who will be responsible for the costs?

*J M Corfield*  
J M Corfield

Re; Proposed building plans for Cherry Bounce Field.

1. NOT POSITIVELY PREPARED.

It has not been objectively assessed and would totally destroy the ecological balance of the area.

2. NOT JUSTIFIED.

Certainly not. There are many more suitable /brown and green fields available. Some were handed over to the DBC by the commission for New Towns and as yet have not been built on. Cheaper option is not always the best value when considering all aspects.

3. EFFECTIVE.

4. CONSISTENT WITH NATIONAL POLICY.

**NO DEFINITELY NOT.**

It is not even consistent with DACORUM LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK CORE STRATEGY-SUBMISSION STAGE DOCUMENT; see attached



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environments and developments; delivering the social, recreational and cultural facilities and services the community needs; providing a sufficient choice of school places; and providing access to open spaces and green spaces.

#### **9. Protecting Green Belt land**

Local planning authorities should plan positively to enhance the beneficial use of the Green Belt. When considering any planning application, local planning authorities should ensure that substantial weight is given to any harm to the Green Belt.

#### **10. Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change**

Local planning authorities should adopt proactive strategies to mitigate and adapt to climate change, taking full account of flood risk, coastal change and water supply and demand considerations. Inappropriate development in areas at risk of flooding should be avoided by directing development away from areas at highest risk, but where development is necessary, making it safe without increasing flood risk elsewhere.

#### **11. Conserving and enhancing the natural environment**

In preparing plans to meet development needs, the aim should be to minimise pollution; encourage the effective use of land by re-using land that has been previously developed; plan positively for the creation, protection, enhancement and management of networks of biodiversity and green infrastructure; great weight should be given to conserving landscape and scenic beauty in National Parks, the Broads and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty; the presumption in favour of sustainable development does not apply where development requiring appropriate assessment under the Birds or Habitats Directives is being considered, planned or determined.

#### **12. Conserving and enhancing the historic environment**



Local planning authorities should set out in their Local Plan a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment.

#### **13. Facilitating the sustainable use of minerals**

Local Plans should identify and include policies for extraction of mineral resource of local and national importance in their area, but should not identify new sites or extensions to existing sites for peat extraction.




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ADDRESS	HOW AND WHEN DID YOU FIRST BECOME AWARE OF THE ABOVE		COMMENTS	SIGNATURE
B 3 1 N C	FORMALLY COUNCIL	INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011		
41	NO	YES	Building on green belt land, when is it going to stop. 80 houses on this land will make this area so crowded. its unbelievable my children played for many years on this field & I have walked my dogs there for 15 years.	P. Knight
39	NO	YES	We both feel that no houses should be built on the land which will obviously knock the price of our house. Also the view would be spoilt. I later M.J. Foster	
28	NOT AWARE		I'm shocked to hear about new houses being erected on the field opposite from me and am totally against any new building work so close to me M. L...	
26	NOT AWARE		No - Yairi Joking.	
2A	NOT AWARE		I am surprised and shocked by the proposal of building on fletchers way. My son adores playing on the green + we will all be deeply saddened if this goes ahead.	
22	NOT AWARE		I am very shocked to hear about the building. CSPUR	
20	NOT AWARE		I am on Facebook. and have (stuck) all the time and havent seen anything about building on the green I am very shocked	
8	NOT AWARE		I am not happy whats going on! AMANDA DRAIN	



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43 CHERRY BOUNCE FIELD	FORMALLY COUNCIL	INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011		
10 6	X	✓	Can't believe them doing this !!!, Mlyoullhouse	
4	No	✓	Bad News	
2	No	✓	Don't do it lovely views Keep them like it. SDR	
8	No	✓	It would be a bad lose Shillington	
10	NOT AWARE		Sorry to see it built on Green Belt. AM	
12	NOT AWARE		Lost of a nice play area for children they do not have to cross a main road RSM:hell	
14	out			
16	out			
18				



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FORMALLY COUNCIL	INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011
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The  
marchers  
HP2 5JA

✓

we've always walked my dog on that  
green belt land & it would spoil the  
Old Town which is unique. It will be a  
concrete jungle.

52 CHURCH ST.  
HIGHFIELD  
HP2 5ST.

BEAUTIFUL VIEW. USEFUL RECREATION GROUNDS  
AWAY FROM THE TROUBLES OF RANDALLS PARK.  
DUE TO RECENT PROBLEMS, NATURE WISE THERE  
ARE FOXES + BATS THAT I HAVE BEEN BRINGING  
MY CHILDREN TO SEE FOR 3 YEARS.

HELCOT  
RD  
HP2 5NF

It's a great shame I have  
been walking my dogs here for  
over 30 years.  
C Pringle

NAME HOW AND WHEN DID YOU FIRST BECOME AWARE OF THE ABOVE COMMENTS SIGNATURE

FORMALLY COUNCIL INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS

HOW AND WHEN DID YOU FIRST BECOME AWARE OF THE ABOVE

COMMENTS

SIGNATURE

17/11/11

COUNCIL NEIGHBOURS  
LEAFLET 22/2/2011

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There are more places available than this one

NO NO

we walk our dog 3 times a day over the field.

8/9

They are for walking it  
K. L. A.

WALK DOGS DAILY ON THE FIELD ASWELL AS WALKING THROUGH THE FIELD TO GADDEBRIDGE

NOT AWARE

10

R. P. W.

NOT AWARE NO COMMENT

12

NOT AWARE NO COMMENT

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10/STEK 1A LV	FORMALLY COUNCIL	INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011	

1	NO	NO	There are more places available than this one given goodway
2	NO	YES	Do not want it at all L. H. H. H.
6	NO	✓ YES	They are just ruining it Shen
3			OUT
4	NOT AWARE		NO COMMENT
5	NOT AWARE		NO COMMENT



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UNMKAD RD	FORMALLY COUNCIL	INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011		
21	NO	NO	We got 2 dogs that i walk 2 times daily plus children that love to play on the field	Ken
15	NO	YES	Not happy all the green been taken over with Houses.	Heles
TH 300NCK 31.	NO	NO	greatly <u>Object</u> to the building of Houses on this piece of land; it provides space & area of Beauty to the surrounding area; you will spoil this - This is a greenbelt area on the checked 0.57	twyft
33	NO	NO	Greatly <u>Object</u> to the building of House on this piece of land. I have two children who regularly play on this area and this would stop them doing this	Thelback



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The  
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HP2 5JA

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HIGHFIELD  
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✓

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DELCOTT ROAD  
HP2 5NT.

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C. Myle



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6 NO YES

Permanently don't think that Green Belt land should be built on. Niall Corcoran

14 NO YES

Disappointed about how there is not enough space to walk the dogs, as I will not be able to go further. Narayanan Karolil

16

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18 NO NO

I cannot believe that they are planning to build on this land

J. Ins

22 NO YES

This land should not be built on. It is a lovely field and is used by dog-walkers and children and has been for years E. Pol



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03	No	✓	Don't want anything there, like to walk the dog there	<del>Signature</del>
101	No	✓	You can't build housing on cherry Bounce field. it is outrageous taking away our parkspace, and the whole reason for moving to HEMEL	MAD
99.	No	✓	you're not serious!	Signature
97	NOT ANSWER	NO COMMENT		
95	No	✓	NOT WANTED	Signature
93	No	No.	NO PAYMENT	
49.	No	✓	SHOCKED!!	A.G.B.



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42	NO ✓	Concerned about views + Parking + ACCESS ISSUES + feel Green belt should not be built on!	[Signature]
40	NOT AWARE	NOT recommended to build house pls.	[Signature]
38	NO ✓	would Prefer not houses to be built on the field. The kids love the snow on the field	[Signature]
36	NO ✓	not want houses on field	[Signature]
34	NOT AWARE	Totally against it. Loss of view, loss of green space, would feel hemmed in by houses. Would be angry!	[Signature]
32	NOT AWARE	This is Recreational ground, use it every day to take dog out and my children play as well. Mothers use	[Signature]
30	NOT AWARE	We would be upset it is a naturally beautiful place D.T. THOMAS	[Signature]
28		AWAY	
26	NOT AWARE	No visible notification seen anywhere. The park is a beautiful green space and needs to be protected, it would be a shame to lose it.	[Signature]



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10	NO YES	Lack of consultation! It <u>is</u> used for recreational purposes	KA Smith
11	NO YES	Astounded you would even consider building on this land adjacent to the old town - used by many people daily	J. H. Longfield
12	NO YES	I am deeply shocked and appalled at the prospect of this development. This is a family area of recreation, which will be entirely spoilt leaving me less place to spend quality family time.	Chadler
15	NO YES	I'm a carer who looks after a 13 year old boy. He comes home everyday and goes straight down the field to play football. Also I have a dog who we walk on the field and a 2yr old son who loves playing on the field	LS [Signature]



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	FORMALLY COUNCIL	INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011		
1. 20 WALKER	X	✓	Feel its a shame to the Area A/Bullen	
2. 20 WALKER	X	✓	INFORMATION IN ADVANCE WOULD HAVE BEEN APPRECIATED	Guth
3. 20 WALKER	NOT AWARE		my kids play on the field M. Garrett	
4. 20 WALKER	X	✓	CONCERN OVRR LOOSING PARK AREA COULD BE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS	M. & Mrs R. Rogers
5. 20 WALKER	X	✓	Terrible stream on area.	S. J.
6. 20 WALKER	X	✓	My child plays on the field, My Mum walks the dog on there. I am experiencing Subsidence I enjoy the view from my bedroom window.	D. O. O.
7. 20 WALKER	NO	✓	Lack of green spaces for children to play,	Sumi
8. 20 WALKER	NOT AWARE		I object!	E. M. Reeves
9. 20 WALKER	NO	✓	I object very strongly to the proposed works going ahead on the land as if houses are built the my views will be spoilt and the value of my home will decrease. The view was the reason why I bought this property in the first place. Reason.	



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	FORMALLY COUNCIL	INFORMAL NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011		
21	X	✓	I didnt think they could build on Green Belt	J.E. Dedman
23	NO	✓	NO PLACE TO WALK DOGS (35 YEARS) WOULD BE DEVESTATED WE WOULD LOSE A PLACE FOR RECREATION.	M. Grew
25	X	✓	DON'T WANT THE HOUSES NO PLACE TO WALK OUR DOG	J. French
CONCERNS				
27	NO	✓	GREEN BELT LAND, LOSE OF PRIVACY, LOSE OF VIEW ROAD ACCESS TO ESTATE, LOSE OF TREE LINE, DISRUPTION, VALUE OF PROPERTY, SUBSIDANCE, TRAFFIC VOLUME.	P. Webster
29	NO	✓	VERY UNDERSTANDABLE. HAND- OFF GREEN BELT LAND.	Thy.
31	NO	✓	AGAINST THIS COMPLETELY	
33	NO	✓	DID NOT WANT TO COMMENT	
35	NO	✓	Not happy about this. M. Patel.	
37	NO	✓	Informed by a neighbour about the petition	P.M. Knight



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1 B O N C E	FORMALLY : INFORMAL COUNCIL : NEIGHBOURS LEAFLET 22/2/2011		
1	NO. ✓	It's a shame it should stay as recreational ground for the residents	CINDY UNIDENED
3	X ✓	NO PROBLEM TO BE BUILT ON CHERRY BOUNCE FIELD	BA
5	X ✓	WE DON'T WANT THE HOUSES	BA
7	NOT AWARE	NOT AWARE & HAVE HOUSES ON THE FIELD	BA
8	NO ✓	NOT HAPPY AT ALL	BA
9	— —	(IN BUT NOT INSURRING)	
15	NO NO	Not happy at all	BA
17	N.	NOT ENGLISH DOESN'T UNDERSTAND	
19	X ✓	Not too happy about this all	BA