

Comments for Planning Application 143413/FO/2025

Application Summary

Application Number: 143413/FO/2025

Address: Land Bound By Longford Road, Peveril Crescent, Rye Bank Road And Longford Park (commonly Referred To As Ryebank Fields) Manchester M21 9WW

Proposal: Change of use of former university playing fields to community woodland and meadow.

Case Officer: Robert Griffin

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am in support of this planning application to keep the land as a community resource.

This is for the following reasons:

- 1) I am very concerned about the levels of air pollution in this area of Manchester adjacent to two primary schools where my children walk to school. Longford road and Oswald road are in the 87th percentile most air polluted streets in UK and exceed several safe WHO limits including nitrous dioxide. Therefore maintaining this green space with the over 1400s trees which are currently on ryebank fields will ensure we maintain this natural and significant area that will absorb some of this air pollution.
- 2) We are in a climate and biodiversity crisis and this planning application maintains the current biodiversity and natural carbon sink this location provides.
- 3) This area is subject to surface water flooding and maintenance of this green space acts as a natural flood plain.
- 4) This site was previously an uncontrolled landfill site. There is asbestos and toxic landfill gases underground. Leaving the area undisturbed will mean that we do not risk un-earthing capped contamination.
- 5) residents of this area are already at a deficit for access to green space according to Manchester city council documentation. I find that access to this green space for myself and my family is vital for our wellbeing mental health multiple times per week.

Thank you for considering my comments.