

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 wish to support the above planning application.

Rye Bank Fields are a naturally wilded green space with wildlife, animals, many species of trees and plants and completely unique.

Some of the trees on the boundary shared with Longford Park are rare and date back to their original planting by Enriquetta Rylands which makes them of historical value. Their preservation is vital especially as the boundary is still in dispute.

The fields provide an open space which has been used for recreational purposes by generations of local families. It provides a natural playground for children to use and learn first hand about nature and protecting the environment.

Rye Bank Fields is a flood plain which is increasing valuable in our changing climate. Longford Park and many houses and gardens surrounding the fields already suffer from flooding. Building on the fields would substantially increase the prospect of flooding.

Below Rye Bank Fields lies a sub layer of pollution and dangerous chemicals dating back to when the fields was a brick works and unauthorised tip. It has been covered by a layer of top soil and has become a rewarded haven for nature. If building takes place and the chemicals and pollution are disturbed there is a danger that highly toxic substances would be brought to the surface causing danger to all who live in the vicinity of the fields or further afield if they are transported away from the fields.

The plan put forward by Rye Bank Fields Community as an alternative is a much more acceptable plan for the community and for the preservation of a much needed wild green space.