

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: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Dear planning committee members,

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I wish to support the above-referenced planning application for the following reasons:

1. Protecting Green Space in an Urban Area

Ryebank Fields offers rare open land in a densely built part of Manchester. Preserving it helps combat urban sprawl, supports biodiversity, and provides a vital breathing space for residents.

2. Creating Inclusive, Community-Led Access

The group's vision prioritises accessibility, wellbeing, and local ownership. It's about creating a space shaped by and for the community, not dictated by commercial interests.

3. Supporting Environmental Education and Sustainability

The plan includes opportunities for nature-based learning, food growing, and climate resilience. It's a living classroom and a model for sustainable urban stewardship.

4. Opposing Unsustainable Housing Development I support the community plan because I believe Ryebank Fields should not be sacrificed for housing. The proposed housing development would damage a valuable green corridor, increase carbon emissions, and place further strain on already overstretched local infrastructure - including roads, drainage, schools, and healthcare. Preserving the land as a community resource is a more responsible and future-focused choice.

5. Strengthening Social Cohesion and Local Identity

Ryebank Fields is more than land - it's a shared story. Supporting the plan helps preserve a space where people connect, collaborate, and build a stronger sense of belonging.

Yours sincerely

