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Tonight i attended a veryimportant meeting to learn about the disgusting possible misuse of an amazing green space , that is Thanington rec, the very lung of a deprived area , giving people the chance to enjoy a beautiful field and use the extremeley well run resource centre .I cannot believe how blind sighted this replacing of an important green space iswith concrete , whoever thinks this is right must be mad , why would anyone ruin this lovely place , it beggars belief .

People use this area every day , my handicapped daughter attends her hubs there , along with her friends and staff and loves the feeling of safety there , she knows all of the centre's staff and just enjoys her time in a well run setting .

we have had many happy and sad times there , zumba classes , played rounders on the field , had picnics and family get togethers,also sadly funeral wakes ,but the good outweighs the sad,the staff have always been supportive , my children grew upplaying on the rec , now my grandchildren are doing the same , and really enjoy the skate park

now to suggestionswhy not build a multi storey car park on part of the existing park and ride site ...which to be honest rarely is full , but i should think you would have checked that fact ...or move the park and ride onto that estate at the back of Thanington with an exit road further up and maybe a bridge like that little used horse bridgeto access it ...would cut traffic coming in from the Harbledown end of townor use empty land near Chartham ,that would also ease trafficmaybe on that big car place thats not usedor that Larkey Valley building mess up , put it there , basically anywhere but the beautiful rec.

With mental health problems people need this space , families need this space , kids need this space ,sporting folk need this spaceWE ALL NEED THIS SPACE

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