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Re: Thanington Recreation Ground

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As a resident of Wincheap I am writing to express my disgust at the proposal to concrete over the Thanington recreation ground. I was born in Thanington and lived there until 9 years old using the recreation facilities along with many of the then local children. I returned to live in Wincheap in the late 60's when my parents downsized and returned to live in Heaton Road. For us it was great to return to an unspoilt area of Canterbury that was still a green and pleasant place with the recreation ground still available for my own children to enjoy and play cricket and football on.

I can understand the sence in having an off slip road but as you own the allotment area to the side of B & M and the fact that only half of the Wincheap Park & Ride is ever used why can the road not come off the bypass there and then exit to the city along the back of the industrial estate or to exit Canterbury turn right at the lights at the top of Ten Perch Road. The under use of the park and ride has been the case ever since the Dover Road park and ride was put in.

As a user of the park and ride it is never full the top half of the carpark is always empty. If as you suggest you need to increase the size of the park and ride why not put in a two story building as you have already done in Station Road West.

We as residents would then still have a green space to use and this would not have any vast impact on the environment nor would it greatly increase air pollution plus if traffic exiting off of the bypass that wants to go into the city could be directed along the back road of the industrial estate and exit at the bottom of Wincheap thereby keeping the residential part of Wincheap free of the great amount of traffic that we now experience.

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