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Dear Councillors and Committee members,

I am writing to express my concerns about the proposed plans affecting Thanington rec.

My family and I have lived in Thanington for 34 years, our children and now grandchildren have used the rec over those years and continue to do so. We have used the rec to walk dogs, enjoy sports, watch kids at play, attended social events, voted and I have used the club for work both with KCC and now the NHS to work with local residents.

The areas of green spaces in Thanington have diminished significantly already over the years and facilities for our young people are shrinking at a time when society needs more facilities not fewer to try and offer an alternative to potential anti social behaviour. The rec and its facilities offers- informal education, alternative choice, new experiences, friendship and a sense of community and belonging. There are also health benefits for residents of all ages- a green walking space, children's play area, skate park and the newly appointed fitness equipment.

The local flora and fauna will be affected by these plans with green areas being decimated. The traffic congestion already significant will increase and without green areas to naturally combat the increased

pollution there could be health impacts too.

This is already a potentially deprived area and the plans feel as if they've been made on the assumption that possibly because of this, there will be no challenge. More affluent areas of the city might put up more of a fight-but Thanington needs the rec more even though its voice might be quieter.

Please help us to fight this plan; if implemented it will invariably have adverse effects and may cause irretrievable damage to local people and nature for the foreseeable future.

Kind regards

Deborah Haith

Sent from my iPhone

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