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**DRAFT CANTERBURY DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN - THANINGTON RECREATION PARK.**

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I write to object to the proposed relocation of the Wincheap Park & Ride facility onto the Thanington recreation park.

I understand that Thanington remains among the top 10% of deprived areas in the UK. Despite this, Canterbury City Council somehow think it is reasonable increase this deprivation by relocating the Wincheap Park & Ride onto the park, thereby almost eliminating the park and isolating The Resource Centre.

In the past a similar scheme was suggested by a conservative administration, but for it to be resurrected by a majority Labour/Liberal administration is beyond belief. These councillors appear to have abandoned principles for the sake of financial expediency. Shame on the council.

The combined assets of Thanington recreation park and The Resource Centre have helped to reduce local crime by about 50%, with both facilities being of significant physical and mental benefit to the community. This laudable progress would not continue if the Wincheap Park & Ride were to be relocated onto Thanington recreation park. No doubt the current trend would be reversed, to the detriment of the whole community. No sane person would allow this to happen.

Let common sense prevail and consign this proposal to the trash.

Barry Collins

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