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The Planning Inspectorate

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Appeal Reference: APP/X5210/W/16/3153454

DETAILS OF THE CASE	
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Appeal By	GENERATOR GROUP
Site Address	Mansfield Bowling Club, Croftdown Road Dartmouth Park LONDON NW5 1EP
SENDER DETAILS	
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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS	
In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?	
☐ Appellant	
☐ Agent ✓ Interested Party / Person	
□ Land Owner	
□ Rule 6 (6)	
What kind of representation are you making?	
☐ Final Comments	
□ Proof of Evidence	
☐ Statement ☐ Statement of Common Ground	
✓ Interested Party/Person Correspondence	
□ Other	

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Loss of Public Space

The current level of housing development in London is resulting in the serious erosion of public spaces of all kinds, ranging from rooms for parties to greenspace and sports facilities. This is a particular issue in inner London boroughs like Camden.

Mansfield Park currently can offer all three of those facilities but if permission were granted for development on this site, they would effectively be lost. This is a particular concern given that the applicants may be seeking to remove the D2 designation from this site to facilitate further development in the future.

Local Policy

The application was overwhelmingly rejected by the Council, in accordance with Camden's stated policy of supporting the retention and enhancement of existing community, leisure and cultural facilities.

Permitting this development would also mean a permanent loss of this community asset – designated as such by LB Camden.

Quality of Evidence

The evidence supporting this appeal is of very dubious quality: low numbers responding and cases of those seeking to respond being ignored.

Please Refuse

In the light of the above I believe that there are good grounds for refusing this appeal.