

Appendix 1 The Friends of Firs Farm request

Hello Jonathan

I am contacting you as the Chair of the Friends of Firs Farm group on a matter raised at tonight's public meeting.

It has been noticed that works have commenced on the tennis courts by the A10 roadside of Firs Farm and we understand that this is as a result of an extension to the cemetery. Concerns that have been raised in the past included, playing tennis next to a now busy dual carriageway therefore it is probably not the healthiest environment in which to improve fitness. This was probably not the case when they were built some 70 plus years ago but we may now be in a position to change this today hopefully.

Firs Farm was once home to a number of tennis courts and pavilions but sadly no more (see attached map OS 1935). Once the courts along the A10 are gone the community lose yet another local opportunity to encourage our children and others to take up this sport and deal with some of the Obesity issues that appear to be on the increase in our society.

Enfield will lose the opportunity of inspiring yet another young person to take up tennis and you never know they could go on to become the next Andy Murray of the future.

Lets bring tennis back into Firs Farm and ensure that the courts are well maintained, well used, and continue to offer free tennis for those less fortunate and or able.

In place of the tennis courts by the A10 it would be appreciated, if the first 2/4 courts are left as part of the Firs Farm so that we don't actually lose any green space footage. This could be left as wildflower meadow as would then form part of the entrance to Firs Farm from the A10.

We look forward to your reply

On behalf of
Friends of Firs Farm

Chair

Friends of Firs Farm Park

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