

SAVE HEATON PARK



Goals Soccer Centres PLC and Manchester City Council want to turn the beautiful open piece of Heaton Park near St Margaret's Road / Bury Old Road Prestwich into a pay-to-use Soccer Centre.



- 12 artificial surface 5/7 a side football pitches
- tennis courts, skate park, club house and car park.

Plans have been submitted, and are expected to be considered by Manchester Council over the summer.

HAVE YOUR SAY (details overleaf)

You've got until 20 July 2009 to have your say on the consultation on this scheme.

- Write to Manchester Planning Department
- Contact your MP and Councillors

Visit our website at:

www.saveheatonpark.org.uk

Join our Facebook group and tell your friends!
search "Save Heaton park"

FIVE reasons to say NO to Goals Soccer:

Traffic Nightmare

The Soccer Centre would be open from 9.00am to 11.00pm seven days a week. This will put a huge strain on already heavily congested roads around Heaton Park.

Parking Disaster

Heaton Park's car parks are currently unable to accommodate the huge amount of traffic trying to access the park, this has led to major parking problems on many roads in Prestwich.

Environment Damage

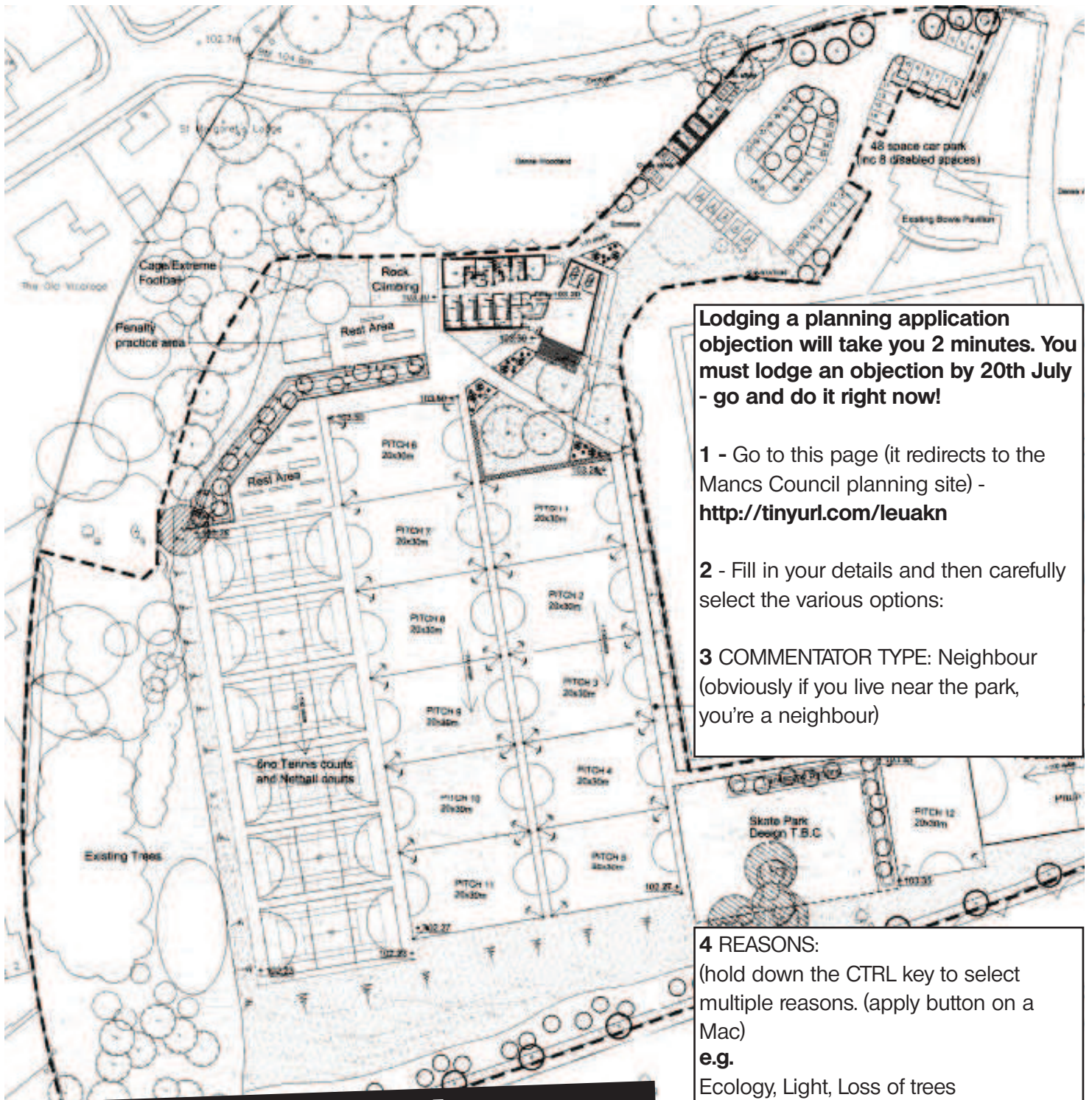
This development will lead to a detrimental effect on the environment. Natural habitats could be destroyed. Floodlighting and noise will change this quiet area for ever.

Loss of Open Parkland for ever!

Heaton Park is a public park, part of our heritage, a green space for the residents of Manchester and surrounding areas to enjoy. This will be lost forever if this sports development goes ahead. Other Goals Centres cost £40/hour to hire a pitch.

Great idea in the wrong place!

We all need more sports facilities, including soccer pitches - but not by taking away our park. Lets find other "brownfield" sites in Prestwich and North Manchester for more sports facilities.



Lodging a planning application objection will take you 2 minutes. You must lodge an objection by 20th July - go and do it right now!

1 - Go to this page (it redirects to the Mancs Council planning site) - <http://tinyurl.com/leuakn>

2 - Fill in your details and then carefully select the various options:

3 COMMENTATOR TYPE: Neighbour (obviously if you live near the park, you're a neighbour)

4 REASONS:

(hold down the CTRL key to select multiple reasons. (apply button on a Mac)

e.g.

Ecology, Light, Loss of trees

Noise or Disturbance

Parking, Traffic, Visual Amenity

5 MAKE SURE YOU SELECT THE OPTION "Inform the Authority that you object to the Planning Application."

6 COMMENTS:

Often planning decisions apply more weight to objections/concerns over traffic and pollution, parking and environmental concerns. Your objection is likely to carry less weight if you simply object on grounds of aesthetic or tradition.

Object Today! deadline 20 July

- online - see our guide to the right
- by email: r.griffin@manchester.gov.uk
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