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To: LDF
Subject: Local Plan proposal SA63 Broadwater Farm and surrounding area
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Dear London Borough of Haringey,

London Waterkeeper would like to register its opposition to the Local Plan proposal SA63 re: Broadwater Farm, Somerset Close, Lido Square, Moira Close, and Lordship Recreation Ground.

London Waterkeeper opposes the building on Lordship Recreation Ground as this will reduce further the quality of the Moselle River and its watershed.

Surface water flooding is an increasing problem in London, and Haringey has seen too much open space paved. This means more pollutants are washed into rivers and rivers become more prone to flooding. Open and green space is to be cherished not developed on. To build on Lordship Recreation Ground would reduce resilience to storms as well as damaging a vital green space, highly valued by local people.

It also sets a worrying precedent that would see other green spaces put at risk. While there is a need to create more homes this should not come at the expense of the wider environment. For London to be liveable and sustainable we need more high-quality green space, not less. Parks are vital to people's physical and mental health and this must not be sacrificed for short-term gain.

Yours faithfully,

London Waterkeeper.

Theo Thomas on behalf of the Trustees of London Waterkeeper.

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