

The Local Plan Inspector,

When my wife and I married we bought a house on . We had uninterrupted country views from our landing window. We could see the local primary school from our front door and the park gave all the local children somewhere safe to run around and play. In the intervening years half the primary school disappeared, to be replaced by houses and flats. The playing field at the side of the junior school was replaced by houses. The football pitches in Burney Drive were built over. Now I am told by a member of the council that trying to save the last remaining piece of green space in the area makes me a NYMBY, a rather childish expression I think under the present circumstances.

My children played on Jessel Green, had picnics with their friends on Jessel Green, and as the density of building increased and the roads got busier they stayed safe on Jessel Green. I've watched the air ambulance land on Jessel Green to tend to people with serious injuries and illness. Community events take place on Jessel Green. It's our village green. As important as any village green in the country even Theydon Bois where the only real difference is our local MP's constituency home overlooks their green.

We also suffer from lack of infrastructure. The schools are just sufficient for the number of children already in the area. The council are making the same mistake they did in the past. Build, build, build, nobody seems to realise that 150 units built mean probably 300 more children needing school places. We went through the debacle that was the build up to the building of Debden Park school. The constant lies, misinformation and misjudgements that lead the the odd catchment areas that we ended up with.

Finally, the problem of people coming into the area and being able to sign on with a doctor. Appointments are always difficult to get. Whilst this is not directly connected to the development of Jessel Green, surely there must be somebody on the ruling body of the council who realises that these are all factors which should be taken into account before one of the few community amenities in Debden is destroyed

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Yours sincerely,

The Hill Family,