

# Bushey Heath Residents' Association



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Dear Mr Silverman,

Firstly may we congratulate you and your team on the sterling work undertaken in researching and presenting the Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Plan (SADM).

The attached is the Bushey Heath Residents' Association's (BHRA) submission to the Inspector in charge of reviewing this policy proposal, given the contentiousness of the inclusion for designation as 'Local Green Space' of The Paddock on Elstree Road in Bushey Heath.

We represent many residents in the area and wholeheartedly support the SADM proposals in full and wish to make it clear that the landowner's claim that this land does not fulfil the criteria required, as stated within the NPPF, is not true; the landowner wishing to sell this land for development (NB 2 planning applications have already been refused by Council).

We have presented 2 separate petitions to 'Save our Green Space'; one with over 1500 and the second with over 1400 signatures.

The land's maintenance has been neglected in recent years, however the photographs we include indicate how beautiful and tranquil this *'welcome sylvan break in the built environment which adds to the character of the area.'* (Conservation Officer for HBC in his determination regarding The Paddock, July 2015) can be.

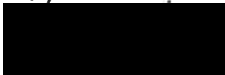
As the landowner (the Bushey Museum Property Trust – BMPT) has been collecting signatures to oppose the Council's plan, we, the BHRA have in contrast galvanised local support for the Council to include The Paddock in SADM 36. The form we used to explain the request for signatures, for Bushey Residents only, is attached, as is a spreadsheet indicating the addresses of and number of people who have signed and returned our form. The actual signed forms are also attached. The total number of signatures collected is 350.

Our MP Mr Oliver Dowden CBE, has also indicated his support for the Paddock to be designated 'Local Green Space' under SADM36; his letter of support is also attached.

We request that our letter with its attachments, be presented to the Inspector and that we be granted representation at the forthcoming 'Public Exhibition'.

Thank you,

Yours sincerely



Elaine Sin-Hidge

For and on behalf of the BHRA