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Mr Mark Silverman  
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Dear Mr Silverman,

**Re: The Paddock, Elstree Road, Bushey Heath, Proposal SADM (36)**

I am writing in order to register my support for Hertsmere Borough Council's proposal to designate The Paddock as a "Local Green Space".

Clearly the land in question is very important to many Bushey Heath residents and as the newly elected Member of Parliament for Hertsmere one of my top priorities is to defend our green spaces.

Only recently, the Bushey Heath Residents' Association presented me with a petition containing 1,400 names calling for The Paddock to be protected. Furthermore, I understand that 350 local residents have added their names to a petition supporting Hertsmere Borough Council's proposal to designate The Paddock as a "Local Green Space".

As the local Member of Parliament, I am keen to ensure that the wishes and views of local residents are taken into proper consideration by the local planning authority. It is for this reason that I would like to register my support for proposal SADM (36).

For your information, once the Local Plan is submitted for assessment, I also intend to make my views clear to the relevant Planning Inspector.

Yours sincerely,

**Oliver Dowden MP**  
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