

Notice of a petition received by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

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Reference: PET20210628

Date of notice: Monday 28 June 2021

Title:

“Memorial Playing Field Paddock Wood”

Petition Statement:

“We the undersigned petition Tunbridge Wells Borough Council to lobby Paddock Wood Town Council to reconsider their plans to build a Community Centre on the Memorial Playing Field.”

Justification:

“The PWTC Analysis scored Putlands as the equal top site for the proposed Community Centre.

The Parish Poll (held on 15 January 2019) advised The Memorial Playing Field is not the right site for the Community Centre.

There was an initial concept plan drawn up by Alan Legg of TWBC in 2015 by the Borough and PWTC to make Putlands into a multi-purpose Community and Leisure Centre.

The Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan states Protect and Enhance Green Space (not build on it).

The Borough needs to work with PWTC to save money. By enhancing what is available at Putlands the Borough should be able to save considerable subsidies that it currently makes in order to keep Putlands open purely as a Leisure Centre.”

Petitioners:

Lead petitioner: Jeremy Thompson (on behalf of Friends of the Memorial Playing Field)

Petition received by the Council on 28 June 2021 via the Council's online portal.

The petition was signed by **517** subscribers.

The names, addresses and signatures of those who signed the petition (the subscribers) were validly received and are deposited with Democratic Services but have been omitted from this notice to protect the subscriber's personal data.

Qualification:

The petition contains more than 500 (but fewer than 1000) signatures and, in accordance with the Council's published petition scheme, qualifies for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.