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to planning@manchester.gov.uk

Dear Sir/Madam

Attached is a redacted copy of a letter from the Environment Agency dated 31st March regarding the Step Places/Southway Housing planning application for Ryebank Fields. The letter was obtained from a Freedom of Information Request submitted by the Friends of Ryebank Fields.

We would appreciate information on what actions the council have taken regarding the letter from the Environment Agency, specifically:

- Have the requirements for determining the planning application been updated to include the remediation conditions required by the Environment Agency?
- Has the council contacted the proposed developers and/or landowner to ask how they wish to proceed?

The site was used for many years as an unregistered tip. Ryebank Fields Playing Fields were created following extensive works funded by the central government initiative Operation Eyesore in 1972. Remediation of the site would involve transporting hazardous waste materials from site through densely populated and narrow roads, this would pose health risks to the residents of Chorlton and Trafford. Our organisation is working for the Save Ryebank Fields campaign. We believe Ryebank Fields is unsuitable for housing development and should remain as a rewilded open local green space.

Yours faithfully

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