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From

Sent: 23 October 2019 23:00

To: Community Asset Transfer < community assettransfer@glasgow.gov.uk>

Subject: Cathkin Pavilion and MUGA

Dear Clare Malloy,

I strongly oppose the request being made by the Jimmy Johnstone Charitable Trust for the 25 year lease of land and building of Cathkin Pavilion and MUGA.

I have read their plans and wish them well but in a different location. A location that does not involve stealing a communal green space for all the people of the Glasgow local and wider community to use and taking it for their own project, where they will reach out to some in the community. Others who do not want to join this club will be excluded further dividing our neighourhood.

I feel that all green spaces in Glasgow are so precious and vital to the health and wellbeing of the people of Glasgow and should not be given for one trust only to benefit from.

Personally Cathkin Park was one of the selling points when buying my house many years ago. We felt it was a fantastic asset to have this park so close by. Myself, my partner and our children use the park daily. We have quick, safe easy access to this wonderful green space. My children enjoy practicing rugby and using the running track. We also walk our dog daily within the park enjoying the peace and freedom at the end of our street.

Finding out about the asset transfer request from a fellow dog walker who happened to see a small A4 notice tied onto a railing outside of the park was a shock to myself. I feel this is very underhand. The local community have not been adequately informed or been offered a meeting or consultation to discuss this proposal. Such an important transfer of assets should require a full consultation process.

I am happy for the Jimmy Johnstone Charitable Trust to continue enjoying using the space as well as the rest of the people in Glasgow. Not for their exclusive use.

Cathkin Park is loved and appreciated by its local community and we should be looking to bring more green spaces to Glasgow people not less.

Regards

