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14th April 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

We have supported the community use and ownership of the land called the Children's Wood for many years.

It was disheartening to read that the Wood was still under threat because of a clause in the agreement that allows it to be developed for 'educational purposes'.

As per the Asset transfer representation CW1 we know that the wood is already used by many surrounding nurseries and schools for educational purposes, as well as the community for social use.

This piece of land is of tremendous value to the well-being of the community and we would therefore ask that a public hearing be held to discuss the removal of the clause and protect the use of the land for the community for the next 25 years.

This clause is at odds with the spirit and intent of the Play Sufficiency Duty and commitment to Open Space Strategies in the Planning(Scotland) Act 2019. Additionally the Act provides for children's right to be consulted in such planning decisions.

Yours sincerely

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