

neighbourhood plans

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Subject: Goodrington Village Green - local Green Space

To all the members of Torbay Council,

I fully support the inclusion of the designation of Goodrington Village Green as a local Green Space as proposed by the Paignton neighbourhood plan and definitely do not support the objections previously raised by the Council and Torbay Development Agency.

I am appalled at the idea of building on this lovely Green which has been here for so many years and is used by many locals and on which so much work has been done by local people, and in particular "Mel " who deserves a medal for all his hard work. All this work was done without any remuneration and changed Goodrington Green from a neglected, run down space (the Council let it go to rack and ruin - was this deliberate so they would then be able to justify selling it off later to a developer?) into a lovely village green.

I also note that these objections by the Council with regard to the Green have been kept very quiet by Torbay Council and that little publicity has taken place in this regard to enable local people to express their support for the Green to be designated a local Green Space.

It is typical of the short-sightedness of Torbay Council that one by one all our lovely local green spaces are slowly being sold off to developers to raise additional funds in the short term whilst destroying the features of the area which make our bay so attractive to people to both live in and to visit.

Whilst council funds may be short and times are difficult for local councils, there are other ways to raise additional funds without resorting to selling off the few remaining local greens and green areas cheaply to developers. There are many brown sites which should be developed before touching any more of our public green spaces. In fact this is what the council should be focused on if they were really doing a proper job and protecting the beauty of our bay and rather ensuring development of all the brown sites before selling off the future of the bay cheaply to greedy developers.

I am copying and writing about this to our local MP Kevin Foster and I am also contacting local news organisations about this. The Council members and the Tobay Development Agency should be ashamed of themselves.

Yours absolutely disgusted,

Jane Whitehouse
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