

FROM THE ASHTEAD COMMUNITY

Please sign if you oppose 1 acre of the recreation ground being enclosed in a high fence and covered with plastic and rubber (36)

As residents of Ashtead, we are concerned to learn of the Council's plans to enclose about an acre of the recreation ground by a 4.5-5.0 m metal wire fence around a new football pitch. The existing natural turf would be replaced by a multi-layered surface which would be topped by plastic grass and recycled rubber granules. The proposed artificial, enclosed pitch would obstruct a public right of way. Ashtead has more residents than any other part of Mole Valley and yet comparatively far less open space which is suitable for everyone's leisure and relaxation.

This scheme was approved by the Council's Development Management Committee in July 2021, but this land belongs to Mole Valley District Council and the changes now need the approval of the Council before it can go ahead. We need to prevent this approval.

The site is important to everyone for their well-being and recreation; the proposed plan adversely changes the appearance and accessibility of the site; and the synthetic surface will degrade into minute rubber particles and microplastics over which there are serious health concerns. Our environment will be polluted, and **we ask the Council NOT to grant approval to the Ashtead Football Club to implement this proposal.**

(Leave first column blank) **PLEASE ENSURE ALL ENTRIES ARE LEGIBLE, UNLESS THEY ARE CLEAR, THEY MAYBE DISREGARDED**

No:	Name	Address/ Post Code	Email/phone Number	Signature

