THE EXETER PLAN - PLEASE COMMENT ON THE PROPOSAL WHICH DESIGNATES MOUNT RADFORD LAWN AS A 'PLAYING PITCH'.

At some stage the owners of the Playing Field known as Mount Radford Lawn, The Exeter Deaf Academy, may attempt for the second time to use the land for development. The first time this happened the planning application was turned down unanimously thanks to the efforts of the community of St Leonards. The more protection against development this playing field can have the better. The field has been designated in the Full Draft version of the Exeter Plan as a Playing Pitch, therefore the St Leonards Neighbourhood Association is asking you to make a supportive comment in the Exeter Plan consultation process.

The website which displays the plan and the commenting process is a bit convoluted so we hope this document will make it clearer and easier.

THE LINK TO THE MAIN PLAN DESCRIPTION IS: https://exeterplanfull.commonplace.is/

The opening page makes it seem that you have to sign in to progress, but you don't, just scroll down.

If your click on 'Proposals Map' it shows you a map of all the proposed uses of the land in Exeter with a legend explaining what they mean. Here's a zoomed in part of the map which shows, if you look carefully, Mount Radford Lawn marked as a 'Playing Pitch'. That designation is what the SLNA have been asking for.

To find the proposal wording you should go to:- https://exeterplanfull.commonplace.is/
proposals/infrastructure-facilities/step2.

And scroll down to section IC3.'Community Facilities'. It's worth

reading these IC3 proposals in full as they contain all the wonderful words which we hope you can support when giving your comments.



All this may seem trivial, but if the owners of the field were to apply to get planning permission for development and were inclined to appeal a negative decision, the fact that its future has been decided, consulted and confirmed in the Local Plan is a great defence.

You have until the 15th January 2024, but please do it now before you forget!

