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I understand and accept the reasons and need for the Landmark Park to seek limited expansion, in particular Car Park Space.

The area being offered to them by the owners is far in excess of any perceived requirements and to designate this whole area for future recreation development is, I believe, contrary to the wishes and aspirations of the village population, certainly of mine. The prospect of a very much larger theme park or of another large denuded area of forest is abhorrent and once redesignation occurs anyone can apply to carry out either of these.

The area in question is heavily walked by locals and tourists alike and I believe contains elements of the "Core Path Network". This being so, any dilution of the area for public access will be to the detriment of what is a statutory facility.

Although there is no direct evidence of the existence of Capercallie in the area in question I am concerned that closing off the area will prevent that from ever happening. Even without the presence of the birds in this area, closing it off will cause its existing users to reroute their walking activities into areas where the birds may well exist or could exist in the future.

Simplistically I see a solution as rezoning part of the area in question, to meet Landmark needs, and maintaining the status quo for the larger remaining area.
Thank you

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