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Dear Gavin

As a reasonably new resident at Lochan Mor, [REDACTED] I attended the AGM this month and was horrified at the planned rezoning of the 'open space' near Frank Spaven Drive.

On the many many times I have walked that road it has been wonderful to see young people out playing football or shinty or just generally playing. It is a safe environment for young people to gather and let off steam by exercising and interacting with each other. I have also heard that much work and money has gone into the 'open space' regarding drainage and football posts to keep our young people safe and connected with the outdoors. Since hearing of the 'proposed rezoning' I have spoken to some of these young people on occasions and asked them where they would play if the facility was no longer there. That question was met with blank looks, they couldn't imagine the 'open space' not being there. The likely hood to me is that they would hang around streets, possibly get up to no good and loose the social skills they are so obviously gaining by interacting with each other at this valuable time of 'play' on the 'open space'.

There is a perfectly good and more than adequate facility at the Community Centre at the primary school, which is also central in Aviemore. Here there are outdoor pitches and other games areas available. With inside gyms, sports halls, meeting rooms and library area, a complete HUB for the community, accessible to all. The removal of the ONLY open space in Aviemore or even considering the removal is and would be so short sighted and needless and would send out the wrong message to the local community.

The only thing highlighted by this rezoning would be financial benefit and greed with no thought for our young people who are our tomorrow.

Yours very very worried and concerned.

Ken and Jennifer Ingram