From: To: Subject:

RE: Request for a Public Hearing in relation to Asset Transfer application by North Kelvin Meadow and The

Children"s Wood

Date: 14 April 2020 13:55:49

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing on Tuesday 14th April 2020 as a member of the G 20 community to ask for a Public Hearing in relation to the above Asset Transfer application. I understand that my request has to be submitted by Friday 17th April 2020. Here it is!

Glasgow City Council have awarded our community a 25 year lease for North Kelvin Meadow and The Children's Wood through the Community Empowerment Act. This sounds great on paper, however a clause has been put in which makes the whole thing meaningless: they want to have the option of taking back part of the land at any point in the future for educational buildings (planning permission dependent). We cannot accept this clause because it leaves us in the same uncertain state as before. I think most of us who use and love the land, and what it stands for, will feel the same as I do about this.

We all know how important the land is, but I have seen even more importance for the land during the COVID -19 crisis, since I walk through it taking my daily exercise each day. The space has enabled people easily to practice social distancing, and has provided respite and comfort for so many local people, especially parents who can take their children to open space. I don't know what our community would do without it.

Could you please, therefore, remove this clause? I understand that you have already been sent a letter from The Children's Wood charity re-stating our community's previous arguments and referring to the Public Hearing in 2016 when **the reporter voted in favour of no building on the land.**

If we are successful via a Public Hearing, this unhelpful and limiting clause will be removed and the community will have security over the land for at least the next 25 years. This will then provide the whole G 20 area with an ongoing resource which has proven health benefits for the mental and physical wellbeing of everyone who uses it.

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Yours faithfully



(**nb** please do **not** include my above details in any database, or use them for any purpose other than replying to this communication or for inclusion in any

document directly supportive of this request. Thank you)