

## **CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL (PORTOBELLO PARK) BILL**

### **OBJECTION 62 – RICHARD WRIGHT**

This letter is notification of my objection to the whole of the Bill on principle.

#### **Reasons:**

I believe there are viable alternatives that do not involve building a new High School in Portobello Park. The easy option to build in the park has been allowed to happen, and perhaps even encouraged by our City leaders without regard for the loss of open space this will cause. I feel such a loss will be to the detriment of Portobello as well as the immediate neighbourhood and myself. It would be a sad loss that would impact on me and my family which is not out-weighed by the offer to create a new park in place of the current school.

I also fear that if City of Edinburgh are permitted to change the law in this way to suit their needs, this will create a precedent that will enable them and other Councils and organisation to build on other open space in the City and throughout Scotland. The consequences of such a precedent are impossible to foresee, but the risk will be created and the impact of such future development would be to the detriment of many more of us.

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