

CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL (PORTOBELLO PARK) BILL

WRITTEN SUBMISSION FROM IRENA LOUGHTON

I wish to register my concerns re the above private bill being sought by Edinburgh City Council on the following grounds:

1. This bill, if made law, will mean that other local authorities could easily appropriate common good land for purposes other than what these greenfield spaces are intended for.
2. There is already a lawful ruling that states that building on the Portobello Park is illegal.
3. There are other suitable brownfield sites for a new Portobello High School.
4. The parkland is well-used, and there are serious concerns that the proposed "replacement park" on the current school site would not happen.

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