



12th November 2014

Dear Mr Aspinell,

I hope you can find the time in your busy schedule to read a selection of letters written by class 6JC at St. Mary's C of E Primary School Shenfield.

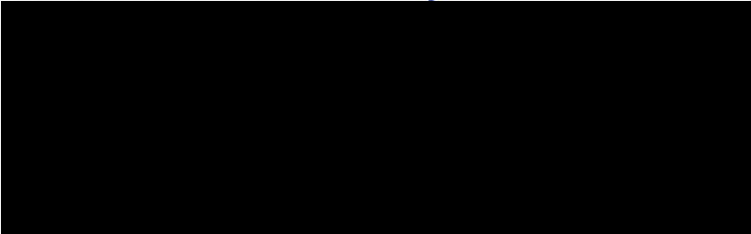
As part of the Literacy curriculum the children in year 6 have been working on improving their persuasive writing techniques. After much discussion they chose a focus which they felt was important enough to write about. They have worked hard on their letters and hope that they have made their points well enough to convince you of the need for more public space in Shenfield.

At a time when the pressure on land for housing is so great the children are aware that they need to protect what they have and try to acquire more play space for the benefit of future generations. They are also aware of decisions being made about local planning following initiatives such as the William Hunter Way consultation. They feel that writing now might have more fruitful results than in the past.

I thank you in advance for your time and hope that you are able to respond in some way.

Yours sincerely

Julie Church (class teacher)



10th November 2014

Dear Mr Aspinell,

I am writing to inform you about how we need more land to play on. I am a resident of Sheffield and the only place I can go to play is the Courages. There is also not enough room for recreation so as the population rises there will not be enough room for housing. Surely you are aware of this lack of land. As you are part of the government I am sure you can convince the rest of the government to buy more land for a country park. There are many reasons I can come up with why we need more land.

First of all we are actually entitled to about 30 acres of land for playing and recreation but we currently only have around 6, which makes it very unfair for us. Have you also noticed that the whole of Sheffield have only 2 fields for cricket, football, picnics dog walking and tennis. You cannot possibly expect us to use only 2 fields for all of that as there are far too many activities going on in the same 2 fields. It is far too small for 8,000 people.

Secondly I think that an extra field should be provided for dog walkers as some people are not responsible for their dogs and will not clean up after them. This leads to people standing in it and then taking their time to clean it up. A large variety of people would agree with me. Because these irresponsible dog owners don't clean up it is also a hazard so you may slip in it and fall over leading to injuries.

Lastly I believe that children should be encouraged to do exercise instead of watching TV all day. Two fields is certainly not enough for all the children of Sheffield to play on and become healthy and happy. This is another reason why we need more space. Maybe you could purchase the fields next to the Cowages to create a country park.

As you are part of the government I know you could make changes in Sheffield and suggest my ideas and points to the rest of the government. Surely you realise that all of my ideas could change Sheffield for the better. I hope you agree with me and can make these changes.

Your Sincerely



10th November 2014

Dear Mr. Aspinell,

I am writing to you to explain why I need more space to play in Shenfield. I love playing in Shenfield, but the only place I can play is the Courages Playing Field. It is getting quite boring playing in the same place but I would love to explore a new one. As my Council leader you should the problem we have with not enough space to play.

Surely you would agree that Shenfield is a popular town but in the future it will be even more popular than it is today and it's already quite busy. You must understand that it won't enjoyable crowded together will it?

The real truth is Brentwood has a lot of parks and so does Hutton, but Shenfield have no country park. We just have one small park. Most people would agree that that's not fair.

Furthermore during the week there are clubs being held and in the Summer the Scouts have a jumble sale which means we have no space. We have about 8000 people living in Shenfield and we have about 6 acres of playing land. It would be really lovely only about to have 30 acres. We could do this by purchasing the Blue Bell Woods

or buying the fields next to the Courages that would be a great idea.

There are a lot of dog owners in Shenfield and sometimes they don't clear up after themselves which is dangerous for ~~us~~ we could slip and when we play the unleashed dogs can chase you when you don't want them to. A bright idea is to have a separate walking field.

As my council leader I hope you'll persuade the Borough of Shenfield to buy the land for a country park. I would be extremely thankful.

Yours Sincerely



10th November 2014

Dear Mr Aspinall,

I am writing to you to inform you that there is not as much public land as we would like in Sheffield, I am a resident of Sheffield, and I do not believe we in Sheffield have the amount of space we would like for recreation and playing in. In this letter I will inform you why we need this space.

My first point is that in Sheffield we only have about 6 acres of land and in 1944 the government suggested about 30 acres of land. Surely an intelligent person like yourself would understand that if we only have 6 acres of land for 8,000 people then we need more land for recreation and playing in. A sensible idea would be to buy more land for us, did you know the population of Sheffield is 800,000 people and all of these people only have one solitary field to use between them.

My second point is that of those of us who live in Sheffield a lot of us have dogs, so if you brought some more space the dogwalkers could use that to walk their dogs. Also ~~at~~ some dog walkers leave behind waste so if they had their own space to walk their dogs we would not spread in waste while playing. A sensible idea would be to make a dog walking path around a separate fields.

On the Courages a lot of events go on such as the secrets jumble sale and cricket matches. An intelligent man like yourself would know if we had more land we would be able to play while all these are going on. Also on the Courages these could go on at the same time using both fields.

An important councillor like yourself must be able to persuade
Sheffield into buying the field next to the courages if
you can achieve this Sheffield will be delighted

Yours Sincerely



Dear Mr A spinell

10th November 2014

I am writing to you to suggest why we need more space/land to play, when there is not enough space to play. I will give my reasons below.

We all know that there are about 8,000 people in Sheffield there is just not enough space. We have about 6 acres of public land where we are meant to have about 30 acres in Sheffield. Surely you can find a solution to this problem by giving us more land?

The fact is that we do not have enough space to play. In the summer there are a lot of activities like Scouts Jumble Sale, football matches and other events these all take our play space. Sometimes there are two cricket matches going on. Where are we supposed to play. Please could we the other two fields next to the Courages because it will give us more land to play.

An important like yourself must be able to persuade the council to make a country park so the children of Sheffield will have space to play. I will be very thankful to you if you could help us

get the land by the Courage playing fields.

Sincerely



Dear Mr. Aspinell,

10th November 2014

I am writing to you to explain why I think we need more space in Sheffield to gather and play with our friends and family. We would like some more land; surely you notice how small the space is. The only place I can go to play is the Courage Playing Field are not nearly enough land for 8,000 people. As you are my council leader I am hoping you can give us some more room.

One reason why we need some more space is because the population has grown and the Courages are not nearly enough land for 8,000 people to socialise with friend and family. When dog walkers come and walk their dog on the Courages they sometimes don't pick up their rubbish. If they had their own space or a bit of area then there would be some more space for us to gather around and have picnics. The dog walkers would not get disturbed.

Secondly we are supposed to have 30 acres but we only have 6. I would be delighted if you can help us buy the two fields next to the Courages like cricket, football, golf and ~~str~~ fishing. I would be grateful if you can help Sheffield to have more land.

I would be really thankful if you can do this for Sheffield to make every one happier and healthier.

yours sincerely

11th November 2014

Dear Mr Aspinall,

I am writing to you to express please can we have more recreational space in Sheffield. because the only space is the Courage Playing Field. We need places to exercise and play which I will elaborate on underneath.

Surely you would agree that Sheffield, with a population of 8,000 people, deserves more than 6 acres of land (The Courage Playing Field). In 1944 the Government made The Greater London Plan that said we are entitled to about 30 acres of land. But nothing has been done about it. It wouldn't be very difficult to do this surely?

A sensible ^{idea} would be to buy Hall Woods and the two fields and make the area into a country park seeing as Brentwood and the rest of the district all have one and we don't. Then dogs could be walked in a more local and natural environment.

An intelligent person like you will know that so many activities such as cricket and football matches cannot fit on the Courage Play Fields it is just not big enough.

An intelligent person like yourself would try to do what I have asked and then everyone in Sheffield will be delighted.

Yours Sincerely

Dear Mr. Aspinall.

10 November 2014

I would like to inform you that we will need much more space for recreation in the future for Shenfield because there'll be more children who need more space to play. Below are some reasons why we need some more space.

A good idea would be to purchase the Bluebell Woods and the fields next to the corages and turn the field into a country park since we don't have one. I'm sure that you're aware that towns around us have at least 1 country park. (Brentwood have 4!).

The next thing is the only space to play in Shenfield are the corages. Which is 6 acres. We were promised 30 whole acres for 8000 people. We get an even smaller amount when there's a cricket match or a scout jumble sale.

I really hope you can provide this space and if you do, I shall be extremely thankful.

- Yours thankfully,

11th November 2014

Dear Mr Pickles,

I am concerned at the amount of land we have for recreation in Sheffield. You are our M.P. so you have the power to change this potential crisis. An intelligent person like yourself would understand that this is unacceptable. As you will have realised, Sheffield understands her a growing population. So we desperately need more land for recreation.

If Sheffield's population is 8000 growing to 9000 you must understand that 6 acres of land for recreation is wholly unacceptable. In my opinion I think Sheffield should be given 30 acres of or more of land. In 1944 the Government announced that a population of 10000 should have 30 acres of land altogether.

You could purchase the two fields adjacent to the two Coarage playing fields. The fields would make a splendid country park.

Dog walkers have become a nuisance when we are playing in the Coarage Fields. The dogs interfere with our game which we are playing. If we had more space, the dog walkers could be kept separate from the children's play area.

In conclusion I think that you should convince the Government to lend us more space for recreation.

Yours sincerely