Fields in Trust



Join The Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge

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Dear Malise Graham,

On 7 June 2010 we wrote to your Chief Executive seeking the participation of your Council in the Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge - a nationwide legacy project to mark Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the 2012 Olympics. Led by Prince William, the project is an exciting grassroots legacy programme and the very first to receive official endorsement by the Queen. The aim of the Challenge is to:

- Protect 2012 outdoor recreational spaces across the country by 2012 –
 The Queen Elizabeth II Fields
- Increase participation in both physical activity and volunteering
- Engage long term support for the Queen Elizabeth II Fields

Queen Elizabeth II Fields will be uniquely eligible to apply to the new £1 million fund created by SITA Trust to enable improvements to the sites. We are also working to unlock numerous other funds in support of the Challenge.

We have approached your Council but so far have not received any response from them. We very much hope that you will support the idea of your Council joining alongside other neighbouring Local Authorities in nominating sites for inclusion in the programme. The Challenge is not limited to playing fields and we are welcoming a wide range of outdoor spaces including woodlands, bike trails, wildlife areas, parks and children's play areas. Protecting outdoor spaces through the Challenge can help to achieve a wide range of key agendas including promoting social cohesion, increasing participation in physical activity and improving the environment.

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The Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge provides a unique opportunity to celebrate both the Diamond Jubilee and 2012 Olympics in a cost effective way that will create a real, tangible legacy to benefit communities across the country both now and for generations to come.

I enclose a project brief and further details can be found at

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