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Dear sir/madam,

I realise that I have missed the deadline for comments on this development. However, despite using the Queen Elizabeth Park in Farnborough 2-3 times a week over the last 3 years, I was completely unaware that any work was planned to renew this pipeline which runs through the park.

There does not seem to have been any democratic effort to inform the public about this proposed construction work. I was informed about the proposals by someone who lives adjacent to the park.

The plans suggest a considerable felling of many mature trees and mature shrubs therefore destroying valuable carbon capturing plants, wild life habitats and an unusual and very pleasant wild forested area for walking, running and cycling in the centre of urban Farnborough. It also proposes destroying the popular play area at the western end of the park.

The amount of destruction is ridiculous for a project of this nature. It is obvious that this level of destruction was not undertaken when the pipelines were originally laid in the 1970's. I would assume that modern technology should make such construction less, not more, destructive over the years.

There are also no plans to replace the trees and shrubs, which is even more appalling.

Finally, this is a most retrograde step to take in the current climate emergency (acknowledged by Rushmoor Borough Council, Hampshire County Council and the British Government) – to propose destroying mature trees and a green environment for a pipeline carrying aviation fuel...

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