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Subject: Belmont School Planning Meeting

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Dear Councillors,

Further to the many letters written to you regarding the potential 'stopping' of Sunday afternoon specialist cycling sessions at Belmont school, we would like to add how this would impact on our son.

We are the parents [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Having said this, it is very clear that he enjoys cycling as he is always very eager to climb onto the side by side cycle. This, in spite of him having to be strapped on for his safety and wearing a cycling helmet. Although he is unable to [REDACTED] as the cycle is so specialised and the 2 sets of pedals are linked. [REDACTED] legs and feet move. This gives him the cycling experience and the benefits of low impact exercise. Added to this he is able to feel the elements on his face and observe his surroundings from a different perspective.

There have been very few things we've found in his life that; [REDACTED] (b). He is accepted, even within the world of [REDACTED] the wonderful volunteers and the other attendees, everyone is made very welcome and accepted. Everyone is very social and happy to help if needed.

We find it very hard to understand how this very small group could be impacting the local residents 'respite' time. The session is very quiet. As has been suggested in one of the previous letters, I would urge you to visit a session and see first hand how joyous they are. how they help on a physical, social and well being level for everyone who attends.

We would suggest that any 'small noise' that may occasionally be heard be no more than, someone mowing their lawn, dogs barking, children playing,, or people having bbqs/parties with music in their gardens, a fun thing to enjoy. Cycling for our son, certainly is one of the very few 'fun' things he is able to partake in, due to his many [REDACTED]

Please think deeply when making your decision, please don't remove this activity from [REDACTED] life and the lives of everyone who depends on [REDACTED] and her cycles.

Kind Regards,

[REDACTED]