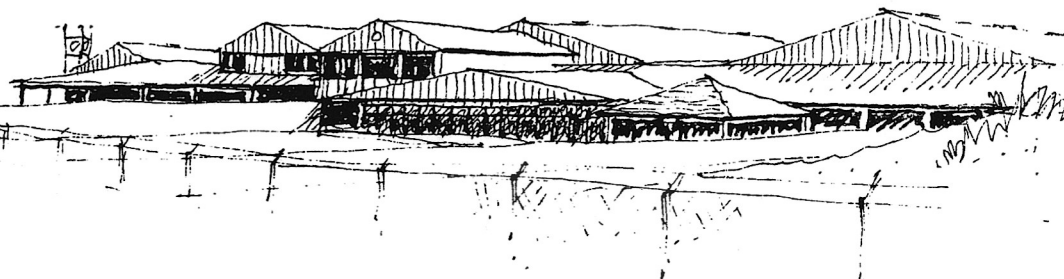


WE NEED YOU TO HELP COMBAT THIS THREAT TO BECKENHAM PLACE PARK -



The above drawing is taken from a photograph of the David Lloyd Club complex at Raynes Park - this houses the same facilities as are proposed at Beckenham Place Park. Roof and walls are in profiled metal sheeting, the size has to be seen to be believed! Whilst the glossy handout by Lewisham was careful not to reveal the appearance of the proposed Beckenham Tennis Centre, the example shown above can be taken as a fair representation of what to expect - another series of factory like sheds surrounded by high security fences.

We recently circulated details of the Planning Application to the Borough of Lewisham made by David Lloyd Clubs for a Tennis Centre and for other fundamental changes to the rest of the Park. We asked that as many of you as possible should write in protest and we hope that you have done so.

The proposal is to be put before Lewisham Planning Sub-Committee at their meeting commencing **7.30pm. on Thursday 24th. September in Lewisham Town hall, Catford.**

Everyone who considers these proposals to be grossly inappropriate for this site should attend this Council Meeting to signal the depth of local feeling against them.

Remember it is **YOU** that should come - do not leave it to others.

Perhaps you would like to have some further information on what the proposed "multi-leisure complex" might mean to the area. Taking the Raynes Park complex as the precedent, the centre would be open between 8.30am. and 10.30pm. Unlike Raynes Park, the Beckenham centre would be accessible only from quiet residential roads. (Ravensbourne Avenue possibly via Downs Hill, or Crab Hill, Foxgrove Road or Farnaby Road). If you believe that it will be a welcome facility for the local youth, *think again*, - individual membership of the existing David Lloyd Club currently costs £802.00 for the first year and £552.00 for subsequent years - playing tennis at weekends or in the evenings costs a further £10.00 per hour!

It should be realised that there is no functional justification for siting this complex in a playing field - one look at the perimeter security fences and entrance barriers proves that - there are many alternative sites listed in Lewisham's development plan that would be more suitable and more easily accessible.

It would be quite wrong if part of this "Metropolitan OPEN Land" were to be CLOSED and leased to a private firm for 99 years.

DON'T FORGET DEMONSTRATE YOUR CONCERN BY ATTENDING THE MEETING