



Petition to: Preserve and Protect Norbury Park Sawmill and Workshop

The Petition

"We the undersigned petition Surrey County Council to Preserve and Protect Norbury Park Sawmill & Workshop".

Submitted by Mr Anthony Bainbridge

Further details from the petitioner:

We would like Surrey County Council to continue their historic support of the countries last remaining Sawmill & Workshop. Which will help maintain the heritage and traditional techniques employed and taught in this ethical enterprise. Hand built wood items are the last 100% sustainable products available for anyone to buy and use. This threatened enterprise receives whole English Native felled trees and produces the finished bench/table/signpost for millions across the country to enjoy. Their products are demanded & treasured by The Royal Parks and the Wildlife trusts, in the knowledge that they have used English trees for products used by all, ethically sourced and hand built locally. It is also a trusted & safe environment for work experience for vulnerable young people (apprenticeships) and wounded service personnel, they also "employ" an army of unpaid elderly volunteers. The Council have continually agreed and encouraged the sustainable, ethical and community led old school techniques and business model used here, but within the last month they have executed a complete 180 direction change giving the personnel only 6weeks notice to cease.

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