293 Windlehurst Road, Hawk Green, Marple, SK6 7HZ

3rd May 2011 Dear Sir/Madam,

MARPLE MEMORIAL PARK - TOILETS

A member of our Townswomen's Guild has heard there is a possibility that the Public Toilets situated in Marple's Memorial Park could be closed due to the exonomic cuts that Councils are having to make.

May we, as members of a National Organisation, put forward our reasons for objecting to this proposal?

- This Park is very popular with all ages of the community - from toddlers to octogenarians.
- 2. The Children's Playpark has only recently been updated with all new equipment.
- 3. The Skateboard and Basketball areas for Teenagers is always busy - keeping this age-group active and off the streets.
- 4. The Bowling Green which has provided the more senior members of our society with their choice of relaxation for more years than I can remember. (I regret the day the Putting-Green disappeared).

It is our opinion that these toilet facilities serve an extremely necessary purpose - and we hate to think of the condition the Park will become if they are no longer available.

The use of any alternative adjacent facilities - e.g. the Library which has been reprieved from closure - would be totally unsuitable and unfair to both library staff and its customers.

We welcome your comments, and hopefully your assurance that the residents of Marple can continue to enjoy ALL the facilities of our beautiful Park.

Yours sincerely, Audrey B. Matthews Guild Secretary.

To: Whom it may concern at Leisure Services, Stockport Council. (Copy to Councillor Shan Alexander)