(*Address)*

Cllr. Mark Coxshall,

Head of Planning and Regeneration,

Thurrock Council,

Civic Offices,

New Road,

Grays,

RM17 6SL date as per postmark

Dear Cllr. Coxshall,

**Professional Speedway Racing in Thurrock – Lakeside Hammers Speedway Club**

I am writing to express my concern about the future of the Lakeside Hammers Speedway Club following the announced closure of the Arena Essex Raceway.

Whilst the team temporarily moved to Rye House Stadium (Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire) at the end of the 2018 Season following the closure of The Raceway, it is a stated wish of the club’s ownership to return the club to Essex and, specifically, to operate the Hammers in Thurrock. There is, therefore, an urgent need to construct a facility and track that enables this to happen.

Please take this letter as an indication of my strong backing for such a venture and as a request that Thurrock Council favourably considers any and all future planning applications that will support the return of professional speedway racing to Thurrock.

Thank you for your attention and I hope you and your Cabinet colleagues will support the club in its endeavour to return world class sport to the area.

Yours faithfully,

Signed

Name:

I am a resident of Thurrock YES // NO (please circle)