Dear Commissioners,

I’m writing to express my grave concern and objection to the proposal to install a plastic field at the high school.

It is clear that as a community, we are trying to move away from disposable plastic. The vast majority of voters at town meetings have passed, nearly unanimously, new restrictions and bans, many of which are led by our youth, towards reducing plastic for a more sustainable future.

It’s also clear that we, as a community, are committing to reducing our carbon consumption. Plastic fields are carbon a footprint disaster at every step of their lifespan.

And unfortunately, our eyes have been opened to the dangers of PFAs and PFOs after what happened at the Airport. The toxicity of the chemicals including but not limited to the PFAs and PFOs associated with plastic fields are not something we should be risking introducing to our environment.

There’s simply too much at stake and not enough stands to be gained to justify it.

If you truly want to serve the youth of this community, we should invest in natural grass fields, for our young people’s health now and for the future.

Please say no to a plastic field.

Sincerely,

Betsy Carnie
Concerned citizen of Tisbury and of Planet Earth