Subject- Draft Enfield local plan- Proposed site allocation ref no. SA45- Land between Camlet Way and Crescent West, Hadley Wood

I wish to object to the proposal to develop 160 homes on Green Belt land in Hadley Wood.

1. The facilities of this area are already under severe pressure by the planning permissions readily given for the building of apartments in Camlet Way, Beech Hill and Lancaster Ave. Also, additional homes are also being built on single home plots in Waggon road and Beech Hill Ave. and other areas. This appears to be an ongoing situation and the number of such residences will inevitably exceed 160 if they have not already done so.

I assume these permissions count towards the Enfield commitment to provide additional housing.

There is a further threat to the area if planning permission is given to develop the parking area at Cockfosters Station. A percentage of the commuters who currently park there will come to Hadley Wood Station. At present, commuters are already parking at the bottom of Lancaster Avenue and Waggon Rd. to catch the bus to Cockfosters station.

Pre-pandemic commuters using Hadley Wood Station were already complaining about the distance they have to walk. The Crescent and now the easier reaches of Lancaster Avenue are totally congested by parking from Monday to Friday.

2. The addition of 160 homes would put even greater pressure on shops and health facilities and the existing full capacity Primary school. It would be pointless to consider infrastructure development as the existing and potential parking congestion would not justify any investment

Also, these facilities are currently at their maximum demand during the week because of parking congestion in the Crescent.

3. Enfield Planners must take account of the present and future permissions for additional homes on the existing housing area in an already congested area.....before considering an additional 160 homes on Green Belt with the potential of flooding and demands on existing water and sewage services.

I trust you will give due consideration to my objections

Thank you.