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Dear Enfield council,

Please, I beg you to reconsider these draft plans in and around the Hadley wood area. You must prioritise all brownfield sites first before even considering building on greenbelt.

Enfield has a beautiful landscape and historic significance which would be a great shame to lose as it's an important asset to the borough. The existing boundary should be retained and protected. The future land use should be resisted.

The Hadley wood heritage and assessment notes that the site provides important views and the landscape acts as a buffer between Hadley wood and other urban areas.

Wildlife and biodiversity would be harmed. Horses graze so happily in the field. The views would be destroyed thus Hadley wood would never be the same again. Concreting over the fields to build 160 homes is an inefficient use of valuable land that serves an important purpose and contradicts Enfield's green policies.

It would also impose a flood risk, parts of the land are flood risk 3. Local sewers and flood defences are already insufficient with local flooding in Hadley wood.

It's the wrong location for sustainable development. Very limited local amenities and reliance on driving everywhere would create a lot more traffic and congestion in the area where currently traffic often flows.

The site is surrounded and over looked by The Hadley wood Conservation Area, The Monken Hadley Conservation Area and by grade II listed housing on Camlet way. It is impossible to build on that site without it adversely impacting the setting, character and appearance of those heritage assets.

The proposal is an opportunistic development rather than a strategic decision. The site was not on the list for development in the 2018 consultation document. It has only been added when The Duchy of Lancaster, as landowner, made it a condition of their support for the local plan.

Yours sincerely,