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To Strategic Planning and Design, Enfield Council

I am writing to register my objection, in the strongest terms, to the plan to build 160 new homes on Green Belt Land in Hadley Wood. I grew up in Hadley Wood and still have close family members who live there, and it seems clear to me that the proposed plans would have a significant negative impact on the beauty of this area, a resource available to all the people of Enfield and which will never come back if the houses are built.

Specifically, I object on the following grounds:

- 1) The removal of Green Belt land irreversibly changes the nature of a very special residential area. Indeed, Enfield's most recent Characterisation Study refers to the area as "a special area of landscape character which is a major asset for the borough. It is of both landscape and historic significance" and "The existing Green Belt boundary should be retained and protected, and future development and land use changes resisted".
- 2) The increased risk of flooding during heavy rain storms due to concreting of grassland.
- 3) Increases in traffic in the area
- 4) More pressure on the infrastructure such as schools, GP practices etc. There would not be sufficient new housing to warrant investment in infrastructure

I don't see any alternative plans proposed to build on existing brownfield sites in Enfield rather than destroying precious green belt.