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Dear Sirs,

I have lived in Hadley Wood for nearly 23 years and am a member of the Hadley Wood Association. Part of the reason for moving to Hadley Wood was the green open spaces we are fortunate enough to enjoy here, and which are very much part of the character of the area. I therefore wish to object to the proposed site allocation which would allow the development of 160 homes on Green Belt land. I think such an objection would cause a number of problems, and hence there are sound reasons to object to this proposal:

1. Such a development is too small for infrastructure development, and therefore not a sustainable development in an area where there inadequate public transport facilities already. It would add further cars to congested roads with all the knock on consequences. There would be more pressure on an area where there is no GP, no senior school, no post office, and virtually no local employment opportunities. The site access is not practical and would cause further congestion and hazards on busy local roads.
2. The proposed development appears to fail to prioritise brownfield sites where there is normally greater local amenity and infrastructure, and instead take the easy option of development on Green Belt land with poor local connections and amenities.
3. The development would destroy a valued and valuable part of the Green Belt as recognised in Enfield's most recent Characterisation Study, and would be a further step into allowing London to spread and absorb local areas turning the region into one massive urban sprawl. The Green Belt should be protected as a priority.
4. The damage to the environment, wildlife and local biodiversity would be irreparable and contradicts Enfield's green policies . It would lose a unique area of wildlife habitat and rough grazing .
5. To build on this site would adversely affect the surrounding conservation areas and listed buildings and impact those important heritage assets.