

I wish to object to the draft proposals. My reasons for objection are, principally, two fold. They are as follows;

### **Loss of green belt**

- Enfield is endowed with significant areas of green belt. The proposal to build 3,000 houses on Vicarage Farm (Chase Park) and a similar number at Crews Hill represents a serious and substantial erosion of Enfield's green belt.
- The loss of green belt will be amplified by the infrastructure needed to support such large conurbations.
- The new residents will be seeking areas of green belt to enjoy; yet their accomodation is destroying what is being sought. A double edged sword indeed.

### **The building of 24,920 new dwellings**

- The proposed number of new dwellings is simple too large.
- ,The number of dwellings will lead to,circa, 75,000 new residents. That is simply too many. Infrastructure, school places, doctor surgeries and the like will not be expanded at the same pace.
- Naturally, the existing road network will not cope despite the hope and intention of car free living.
- Along with the two green belt sites noted above a further forty three possible sites have been identified in the draft plan. This scatter gun identification will lead to a developers' charter.
- The most recent proposals to develop substantial numbers of new dwellings all appear to have been developer led.
- There has been little evidence, from Enfield Council, of overall planning control regarding type, height, design and density of dwellings. Specifically, Southgate Office Village (currently under appeal).Coliseum site (unfortunately approved by the Planning Committee on the Chairman's casting vote), Edmonton Town Centre (application under consideration). Shortly, it is expected that Enfield Town Centre will also be the subject of a developer lead application. All have appeared to have been led by the applicant without sufficient weighting of opinion from Enfield's planning authority.
- Development of the Borough needs to be co-ordinated with specific design criteria both Borough wide and site specific.
- Aside from the sites proposed in the green belt the remainder lie in suburban or developed areas. Enfield faces the prospect of being a borough pock marked with dwellings designed to suit the criteria of the respective developer. There appears to be little hope in Enfield Council developing design guides for the forty five sites identified in the draft proposals. Over the past twenty five years or so none appear to have been been produced; not even for sensitive areas such as the twenty plus conservation areas.

I object.