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I have lived in Hadley Wood with my family for the past 26 years and am a member of the Hadley Wood Association.

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I value all the green spaces within and around Hadley Wood and that was one of the major attractions that drew us as a family to live here initially. The special character afforded to the area by it being in the Green belt was very important to us and I believe for many residents in the local area. It has been very important for my health and the health of my family that we have good air quality and ample space to walk daily in a green environment.

I wish to object to the proposed plan.

The proposed building of 160 homes on the proposed site would mean development on Green Belt land and is totally out of keeping with the rest of this area. It would also not be in line with Enfield's green policies. Enfield Council rightly declared a state of Climate Emergency recently and this area which is part of the historic landscape of Enfield Chase is also home to some valued wildlife and biodiversity - so important in the fight to tackle this emergency.

Another important consideration is that this area does not have the current infrastructure needed for a development of this scale. There is no secondary school for example, no local GP, no Post Office, an oversubscribed primary school and hardly any employment opportunities locally. There are no leisure facilities nearby. Transport links are poor apart from the mainline service into London which would lead to increased car use/additional pollution on crowded single roads.

I strongly object to this proposal when there are multiple brown fill sites that would provide housing in more suitable locations. It feels opportunistic and ill-thought-out.

Sincerely