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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to notify you of my concern and disagreement with the approach being taken by the Council in the recent Draft Local Plan. In particular, the threat which is being made to multiple Green Belt sites across the borough.

It is undeniable that there is a demand for housing in London and the South East, including in Enfield. It has therefore been extremely disappointing over the past 15 years I have lived in Enfield to see multiple housing developments for high end, luxury flats which are completely out of the price range of the majority of people. These count as missed opportunities to address the wider issue and smack more of profiteering than a coherent plan. One positive, at least, with these developments has been the emphasis on developing existing built-up sites. Like many people I speak to, I strongly subscribe to a view that residential and commercial building developments must be prioritised on existing sites, brownfield sites or reclaimed land. Green Belt land must be protected as a priority and in my view, any authority not exploring and prioritising all other alternatives is not carrying out their purpose of representing local people.

The specific policies in the Draft Local Plan I object to are as follows:

- The 'Spatial strategy' (section 2.4) which identifies how growth will be distributed across the Borough over the plan period and gives rise to the strategies for housing, employment, town centres and countryside green belt;
- 3,000 new houses at a 'deeply green' 'sustainable urban extension' referred to as 'Chase Park' (also known as Vicarage Farm) on the open Green Belt countryside next to Trent Park either side of the A110 (Enfield Road) between Oakwood and Enfield town (Policy SP PL 10, pages 80-87, and Figure 3.11);
- 3,000 new houses in a 'sustainable settlement' at Crews Hill with the potential for longer term expansion up to 7,500 new homes right up to the M25. (Policy SP PL9, pages 77-80 and Concept Plan Figure 3.10);
- 160 homes in Green Belt countryside at Hadley Wood (SA45: Land Between Camlet Way and Crescent Way, Hadley Wood, page 364);
- Industrial and office development in the Green Belt near Rammey Marsh (SA52 page 372);
- 11 hectares of new industrial and storage and distribution use at what is currently agricultural land east of Junction 24 of the M25 at part of new Cottages and Holly Hill Farm within Enfield Chase (SA54, page 374);

Please can I ask you to consider these objections and concerns when reviewing these draft plans. I know there is a lot of concern from local residents right across Enfield about the loss of Green Belt land and am sure you have some awareness of the deep unpopularity of the plan.

I thank you for your time and consideration, and I urge you to listen to local residents and preserve Green Belt land.