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To whom it may concern.

My name is Christina Spiteri, I live at 26 Waggon Road EN4 0HL with my husband and 2 children. We recently moved to the area in December and were drawn to the area largely because of all the beautiful green space that surrounds the area. We are extremely lucky to now live opposite Green belt land which I feel very privileged to be able to appreciate the beautiful views from my windows. We live opposite Stoppers farm and they have a livery there which we have promised our daughter, who is a keen horse rider, that she can one day have her own horse and keep it across the road. I therefore object to the proposed site allocation which would allow the development of 160 homes on Green belt land. If this was allowed, where would it stop? It is awful that these draft plans are even considered as it must give hope to developers to keep submitting these applications. Since moving in we have been objecting to many proposed developments on our road which have thankfully been rejected as they would damage the environment and impact the lives of the residents.

This current proposed development on land between camlet way and crescent west should absolutely be rejected as we need to save our green belt! The land must be protected and conserved in North West Enfield where it serves vital purposes including separation from Barnet and Potters Bar, helping air quality in the borough and bio diversity. It cannot be right to plan to destroy this Green Belt, directly contrary to all green and climate change policies. We should be protecting and conserving our remaining green spaces now and for future generations.

The plan will destroy our unique heritage landscape. The Hadley Wood meadows under threat are unique and not just fields in the middle of nowhere. They are established green belt in a single Area of special character across three boroughs. They are in the middle of a green corridor from Barnet through the farms north and east of Hadley wood, providing visual harmony for the many walkers and cyclists. They are setting for two Conservation Areas and their loss to a housing estate would greatly harm the heritage value of both Hadley Wood and Monken Hadley. This is the head valley of a main Enfield river which is liable to flood and needs to keep its riverside flood spaces.

This proposed development is unnecessary and wrong. It cannot be ok to plan for the certain and irretrievable environmental loss of these special meadows for a few extra houses to be built more than ten years later based on uncertain projections for 25000 houses needed over twenty years. They may never be needed. Other brownfield sites will become available over ten and twenty years, including many owned by the council.

The development is not sustainable. The only primary school in Hadley Wood is already full and with a long waiting list. There are very few services and only a small parade of shops near the station. The trains are for London commuters and do not connect us with the borough. The bus at the station only provides a limited day time service to Barnet and not the borough. Car journeys by new residents will be essential adding to traffic, pollution and congestion, contrary to policies for cycling and walking and to the whole rationale for building near the station.

The site should not be allocated for 160 houses. It is a sloping and sensitive site adjacent to neighbouring green belt, as well as in the setting of Hadley Wood Conservation area. It would cause substantial harm. The lower part of the site is in a flood area for the river and will be highly affected by surface water run-off issues within the site and downstream within Hadley Wood and therefore is not sustainable.

Can you please remove this proposed site allocation from the next edition of the Local Plan and retain the green belt status for the land.

Yours faithfully

