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Dear Sir / Madam

I write to express my concerns about the planned development and object to the proposal. I have been a local resident for 10 years and both my children attended Hadley Wood School. Like many other residents, we moved to the area to enjoy the access it offered to the Green belt and the specific look and feel of Hadley Wood. In recent years, like many other residents, we have watched with increasing concern as the area has steadily changed as a result of successive new developments with the threat of further developments to come. The surrounding area has seen the steady demolition of single dwellings and their replacement with apartments and flats. Large scale development has occurred around Cat Hill.

This proposal, allied to the developments proposed in Chase Park, and around Cockfosters Station, will see a further steady erosion in our green areas and the look and feel of the local environment. The loss of green spaces will be felt most keenly and this will have a hugely negative impact on spaces that are both attractive and greatly cherished.

It is deeply disappointing that such proposals are considered suitable and attract the support of the Local Authority. The proposals will;

- Result in the loss of historic green spaces, and the separation between distinct local areas and are wholly unsuitable
- Change permanently the look and feel of the area, and will be at odds with its historic appearance and character; add to crowding and lead to a further rise in high-rise and tower block developments, particularly in the immediate vicinity of transport connections
- Have a profoundly negative impact on the local environment increasing the pressure on; local roads with a further escalation in traffic and the related noise and pollution; parking; and limited local amenities including local schools and GP Surgeries
- Negatively impact on noise, biodiversity and access to green areas for exercise and physical activity
- Increase the risk of flooding in the local area and the pressure on already hard pressed physical services

The plan will not meaningfully support the number of new homes needed in Enfield over the long-term and seems to disregard much of the development either already taking place, or already approved for the wider area. The priority locally and nationally is for development on existing or emerging brownfield sites and for the continued protection of green areas and the Green belt specifically. This proposal disregards national guidance, risks the permanent loss of precious green areas and is opposed wholeheartedly by local residents.