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i am writing in connection to Policy DE6 (Tall Buildings) and SA2 (Palace Garden Shopping Centre) situated in the Town Centre.

It is your argument that high-rise buildings are essential. Surely not in Enfield Town which was originally a Market Town and could still be called that when I first came to Enfield in the 1970s.

Over the years various Councils have slowly changed the character of the Town Centre, mostly for the worse. The old gas offices and the Civic Centre are evidence that even buildings as high as these are too intrusive for a small town,. To demolish the centre of the town and rebuild with a tall tower block and other high buildings plonked down right in the middle of Enfield Town is short-sighted and out-of-date for the 21st century. Evidence has been shown that many people prefer living at ground level with a garden, however small, not in a high-rise with lifts not working and added maintenance charges, and the possibility of a destructive fire. Also high-rise buildings cause wind corridors and blot out sunlight at ground level.

This present Labour Council will not be remembered kindly by future generations should it allow Enfield Town, the historic Chase and other areas of the Green Belt to be decimated with concrete. What a legacy to leave behind.

Yours,