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We have lived in Hadley Wood for nearly 9 years and learned with great concern the proposal for site allocation at the above which would allow the construction of 160 homes. We are members of the Hadley Wood Association and the special nature of Hadley Wood especially its green spaces is of great importance to us. We therefore object to the proposal.

1. The Green Belt areas in this part of North West Enfield should be retained forming as they do an area of important biodiversity and openness which is crucial to the nature of the area and unique to this part of London.

2. The meadows under threat form part of green belt in an Area of Special Character linking farms. One glance at them for example from Crescent West would confirm that their destruction by the creation of 160 houses has no planning merit whatsoever.

3. It is fully appreciated that Enfield needs more housing but the notion that the destruction of these meadows in an area that apart from a rail station and a very irregular bus is poorly served with services makes no planning sense.

4. We understand that the sloping site which is charming as it stands would give rise to flooding risks and drainage problems were it ever to be destroyed and replaced by a housing estate. For all the above reasons we urge that the proposed site allocation be removed from the next edition of the Local Plan and its green belt status be retained.

Yours Sincerely