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I and my family have been Enfield residents for nearly 50 years. We currently live at 55, Lancaster Avenue, Hadley Wood for coming up to 30 years. Prior to that, we lived in Palmers Green. I am a member of the Hadley Wood Association. I value all the Green Spaces within Hadley Wood. I was drawn to the locality as it is surrounded by Green Belt, which protects the special character of the area. I therefore object most strongly to the proposed site allocation, which would allow the development of 160 homes on Green Belt land.

My main objections are as follows;

1. The whole world, including the UK and Enfield Council are concerned with the effects of climate change. We're told we need to preserve Green Spaces / Trees to save our planet. Yet Enfield Council are proposing a Local Plan which involves the destruction of a Green Space.
2. None of the 160 proposed residential buildings will ease the shortage of affordable housing in the Borough. The land price will be too high which will result in excessive profits for the Developer and the land owner, the Duchy of Lancaster. The suggestion that 50% will be "affordable" raises the question of who will be able to afford them.
3. Reference is made to the availability of a part of the development, 25%, for immediate tenure. Has Enfield Council fully considered whether local authority tenants would be prepared to be uprooted from their local communities and moved to Hadley Wood which has poor transport links and one small shop ?
4. This raises the question of sustainability. Hadley Wood has a main line station, a single bus stop and a few shops. It has no Bank / Post Office, no GP presence, no secondary school, and a primary school which is over- subscribed. As a result, there is a reliance on the motor car which is considered essential.
5. I have been unable to establish whether the Enfield plan for this proposed development has the support of the Duchy of Lancaster. I cannot believe that the Queen and the Royal Family would support the loss of this Green Space.
6. I do not believe that Enfield Council actually consulted the residents of Hadley Wood before publishing this Local Plan.
7. Hadley Wood is continually losing Green Spaces as Enfield Council approve the increased paving over of front gardens to allow for the off road parking of private cars.
8. The proposed loss of this Green Space increases the risk of flooding in surrounding areas as we have seen in Hadley Wood recently and in other parts of the country with devastating effect.
9. The proposed loss of this Green Space raises other environmental issues and will undoubtedly have an unwelcome effect on the local wildlife and the pollination of plants and crops in the vicinity.
10. I understand that in proposing the loss of Green Space, Enfield Council is obliged to provide a schedule of "exceptional circumstances" to justify their decision. I cannot find such a schedule.
11. I am surprised and disappointed that Enfield Council are putting forward this proposal for 160 homes on Green Belt land in Hadley Wood given both the availability of substantial

Brownfield sites and empty properties elsewhere in the Borough.

I await the outcome of your further considerations with interest.