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12th September 2021

Re. Draft Local Plan – Building on the Green Belt

Dear Sirs,

I am writing on behalf of the Edmonton Hundred Historical Society to express our concern at Enfield Council's plans for a large housing development on the Green Belt, notably the historic Enfield Chase. The EHHS, now in its 85th year, covers the whole of Enfield Borough. At its heart is the Chase, much of it still undeveloped. It has a special place in the hearts of Enfieldians, not only those familiar with its history.

I have lived in Enfield for 33 years and many of our members have spent their whole lives here. The Chase has been a godsend for all of us and many more during the ongoing pandemic - an open space for all types of exercise, ensuring Enfield's citizens physical and mental well-being.

An assault on this precious resource once started will increase year by year, with ever more housing, roads, and pollution. Ideally, Green Belt sites should be removed from the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and proper consideration be given to developing Enfield's brownfield sites and conserving the Green Belt for future generations.

Yours faithfully