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I am concerned about the draft local plan as developers and Enfield Council are proposing to build on Green Belt land previously detailed as an 'Area of Special Character' by Enfield Council.

The land along Enfield Road has been used for arable crops and grazing and provides habitat for a wide variety of wildlife, including hedgehogs, bats, badgers, skylarks, pheasants, owls, woodpeckers and many other species of birds. It also contains beautiful specimens of mature oak trees and ancient hedgerows. Given our climate emergency we should be protecting this land not building on it. We know that flooding increases in built up areas when there are fewer permeable surfaces so why are you proposing to build on green belt instead of brownfield.

I believe that Enfield should retain its Green Belt land and the wildlife that live there. All these new proposed homes could be built on brownfield sites preserving the Green Belt, with its multiple benefits, for future generations. There is a whole area in Meridian Waters that has yet to be built on.

The plan talks about affordable family homes. The most recent housing development at Chase Farm hospital built many new 'affordable' homes. When I looked today a 4 bedroom house cost £770000. How on earth is this affordable housing? What Enfield needs is affordable homes in areas with existing public services and good transport links not unaffordable executive homes in rural areas that use land inefficiently and increase car dependency.

I understand the council have difficult decisions to make but I am concerned that building all these homes will have a knock on effect on what is already a crowded borough. Our roads are congested, it's difficult to get children a place at their local schools and almost impossible to get a doctor's appointment. The more we build the greater the population of Enfield and this situation will only get worse.

Please reconsider the plan for building on green belt land and instead complete the building of homes in Meridian Water then look at other brownfield sites.