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I wanted to make some comments about the local draft plan that is currently in circulation. I am a NHS worker and work at Chase Farm hospital and have worked there for over 5 years. I live in Haringey and have recently bought my first home in Enfield. Being closer to work has drawn me to live in the area and having access to the beautiful countryside views compared to Haringey. Otherwise moving out of London would have had to be the other option, I have lived in London my whole life and being able to move to an area which gives me a bit of both (busy city life and peaceful countryside walks) has been the highlight of my purchase of a new home in Enfield. This is why I have been saddened by the news that there is a plan to destroy the green belt which is something that makes North London such a beautiful place to visit and live.

Below are my comments to the draft local plan:

My main concerns are with the 2.4.4 Enfield's spatial strategy and 7.6 Policy DM DE6: Tall buildings

I think having more new homes in the area is always going to be the most important goal, however it should not be at the expense of the green belt. The green belt is what we need for cleaner air which London is struggling with and as we are all aware this is causing health concerns which in the future is only going to have a bigger impact on the NHS which we again know that is struggling. The green belt is something we all need in North London to survive and taking it away is basically saying you don't need to live.

Building more homes in areas which does not affect the green belt is ideal if it does not change the infrastructure of the town by having extremely tall buildings. There has been a new development in Winchmore hill (New River View) which I feel has done very well with the height limitations of the building. I think this should be used as a guide for building other similar developments of the same height for buildings when discussing planning permission plans. In areas where tall buildings are being considered Edmonton green, Palmers Green, Southgate and Silver Street due to good travel links does not seem ideal as they are already highly populated areas in the borough.

I do hope you will take into consideration all comments from people who are living, working and breathing the same air daily in the borough of Enfield to make effective choices for the future of people's health and well-being.

