
I am writing in support of the Enfield Society, Enfield RoadWatch and many others to express concern about the proposed development on areas of greenbelt land in Enfield. This land connects local residents to nature and helps to preserve biodiversity and slow climate change. I wanted to highlight my thoughts on one specific proposal in addition, please see below.

Policy SP PL 10, pages 80-87, and figure 3.11

I live near Enfield Chase Station. I enjoyed getting to know my local area better during the lockdown, as many did. One of the footpaths I rediscovered was the Merryhills Way, which allows me to cut through, walking through pleasant green fields for part of the way towards Trent Park, rather than walking along the A110 road all the way. However, I see that the proposed development on Vicarage Farm would mean that this open green space would be filled with residential properties.

I object to this development proposal because it would impinge on open green space within the borough and thereby affect the access of residents to local, pleasant countryside, linking with other walking routes. There would also be a detrimental effect on views from Trent Park itself back towards Enfield Town. All this would have an affect on the mental health and well-being of local residents, and in building on open countryside, on biodiversity and climate change, in a time of climate emergency.