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By e mail of 3 September I expressed concerns about the proposed house building plans by Enfield Council.

I now understand that there are proposals to build houses on a large number of retail outlets including Sainsbury's at Crown Road as well as Green Lanes N21 (which I commented on), Asda and M&S at Southgate and Tesco's at Savoy Parade and Ponders End. I therefore wish to put forward my further objections.

With the vast number of new houses created, where are existing and the newly created residents supposed to shop?

How can the removal of so many shops be justified?

Furthermore the pressure on schools, hospitals and doctors' surgeries will be immense.

Existing parking problems (brought about by the cycle lanes) will be exacerbated. The car park behind David Way was earmarked to provide valuable parking to compensate for the loss of parking spaces from the cycle lanes and now it is proposed that this will go.

The Council's house building plans must ensure a balance is maintained between housing and amenities. The current plans do not achieve this and will impact all residents (both existing and new) adversely.

I am concerned to see possible developments involving the building of houses on the Sainsbury's site and on the car park behind David Way. The former would result in the loss of the only major supermarket in N21 on which many local people rely (especially elderly residents).

The addition of so many houses on these 2 sites would also give rise to infrastructure problems in terms of overloading the capacity in schools, doctors, hospitals and indeed shops. There are already many new flats on Green Lanes on the former site of Capitol House.

Such building proposals should not jeopardise the provision of services to existing residents where such services are already constrained. A balance to the current area and its infrastructure must be maintained.



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