
RE: Local Plan - Site SA45 – Land between Camlet Way and Crescent West, Hadley Wood

I have lived in Hadley Wood for 45 years where I enjoy living in the country site surrounded by the beautiful forests, green and farm fields. I regularly walk my dog along the fields overlooking the land between Camlet Way and Crescent West. The views are stunning, relaxing and inspiring, and they give me a very comforting sense of freedom and escape from the hustle and bustle of the city. These views are part of the character of Hadley Wood and the reason I have been living here for 45 years and counting.

Site SA45 forms part of a stunning landscape which goes well beyond the borough boundary. I can't except nor allow Enfield Council to destroy this valuable green belt asset forever, by using this for development.

I can't believe Enfield Council is sacrificing the character of this conservation area and is seeking to remove the green belt designation to allow the site to be developed into housing, and change this beautiful piece of nature into a conglomeration of bricks and mortar, destroying the country site aspects of this site and the overall character of Hadley Wood along with it.

I therefore strongly object to the proposed release of this green belt site and the site allocation, which would allow the development of 160 homes on green belt land, for the following reasons:

The release of any green belt land in Enfield has not been justified especially SA45. The Enfield Local Plan is therefore not compliant with the NPPF:

- * Only 5,000 of the planned 10,000 new homes on the brownfield site at Meridian Water have been assumed within the plan period.
- * Other brownfield sites have not been fully reviewed and utilised.
- * The availability of surplus retail and office sites resulting from changed shopping and working patterns following the Covid19 pandemic have not been adequately assessed.
- * The release of this specific site has not been justified.
- * The site is adjacent Conservation Areas (both Hadley Wood and Monken Hadley)
- * The site is of Archaeological importance (field patterns unchanged since the enclosure of Enfield Chase)
- * The site has the poorest public transport access in Greater London (PTAL 0, 1a & 1b)
- *No local services and infrastructure (peak time public transport access to healthcare, schools, high streets, employment, etc all exceeds 45 minutes per TfL)

Please remove all site SA45 from the proposed allocation and fully investigate all brownfield sites in private and public ownership before looking to build on the green belt, and destroying a beautiful piece of nature forever.