

Objection to SA32, Sainsburys Green Lanes N21 3RS

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I am writing to object to the redevelopment of Sainsburys Green Lanes for mixed-use homes and non-residential floor space.

The current supermarket is well used. With the current push to cut car use removing a local facility will force people to drive further. It will also have an impact on elderly people, many of whom do not shop on line. I regularly use the supermarket and it appears to be a well used local amenity.

The number of dwellings being built would need significant infrastructure which does not appear to be planned for. Existing facilities such as schools, doctors' surgeries etc will be severely stretched.

It is not clear whether the existing green space will remain. My understanding is that Sainsburys committed to it when they took over the site. This development will lead to the destruction of habitat and woodlands – the site is home to woodpeckers as well as trees with protection orders (poplars and oak trees). This green space is a valuable community space especially for residents who live in the surrounding flats and do not have gardens. The area is used by families and elderly alike, which contributes to the health and wellbeing of all residents of Enfield - surely this should be a key driver for the council.

There has already been significant development in the local area (Capital House, Travis perkins). All local residents need facilities including supermarkets.

I would urge Enfield Council to reconsider this site for redevelopment and keep the valuable supermarket for the continued use of all residents.