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Dear Enfield Local Plan,

I am responding on behalf of the Battlefields Trust to the draft Local Plan consultation being run by Enfield Council. The Battlefields Trust is a national charity dedicated to the preservation, research and presentation of battlefields as educational and historical resources (see [www.battlefieldstrust.com](http://www.battlefieldstrust.com) for more information).

The Trust is concerned about the proposed inclusion of site SA45 (Land Between Camlet Way and Crescent Way) in the Local Plan due to its potential to adversely affect the setting of the battlefield at Barnet (1471). The Historic England registered battlefield at Barnet is located approximately 400 metres to the south-west of the SA45 site and the Battlefields Trust judges the building of houses there will adversely affect the setting of the battlefield.

Separately, recent historical landscape analysis and archaeological work on the battlefield (see <https://archaeologydataservice.ac.uk/archives/view/1003872/index.cfm>) suggests the battlefield could be further to the north. If this is so, then site SA45 may contain Lancastrian round-shot that overshot the Yorkist position. Such artefacts would represent a nationally important archaeological resource given the limited amount of 15<sup>th</sup> century round-shot recovered from battlefields in the UK and the area of the registered battlefield would need to be reconsidered in the light of any such finds.

On this basis, the Battlefields Trust recommends that Enfield Council withdraw site SA45 from the final version of its revised Local Plan.

Best wishes

