

Re: Objections to Draft Local Plan SA32 Sainsburys Green Lanes p315, p359 of the Enfield Local Plan
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Yet again Enfield council are failing it's residents with this ill thought out plan.

Enfield have declared a climate emergency to force thru the LTN's which result in more miles being driven for all residents, more stationery traffic and more pollution for us all.

Yet you want to build more flats on every square inch of land in the borough, including the green belt.

This is very short sighted and a huge example of double standards by the council.

Cement/building is 1 of the largest causes of CO2 and hugely negatively impact the environment.

For once listen to your residents. Stand up against the government in terms of

the number of new flats you need to build.

Enfield is a rural suburb, flanked by beautiful green belt which acts as the lungs of London.

The U.K. has lots of wide open, under developed areas, and other cities where controlled growth can be managed.

Rather than an after thought and squeezing flats onto car parks, garden centres, supermarkets and green belt.

How many extra schools, GP surgeries, hospitals, bus routes, police, fire stations, open spaces, parks, libraries, places for families to go and things to do, are you going to build to cope with the extra people???

There is nothing in your “plan” about this.

What will also these extra people be able to do???

There is lots of talk about mental and physical health, but taking away land for recreational use to build high density flats that are completely out of character of our borough is dangerous for the health and mental well being of us all.

All of the above force people to use their cars MORE to drive to different areas where there are things to do.

More people, more cars, more traffic and more pollution, all being increased with your plan and your LTN's.

Specifically in terms of your plan to build on Sainsburys Winchmore Hill.

Local Facilities

- The loss of a major supermarket in the area will force people to have to drive further. This would especially affect elderly and disabled residents and increase car usage on local roads
- No supporting community infrastructure planned which will lead to an overstretch of existing facilities such as schools, doctors' surgeries, dentists
- With the Fords Grove car park going and 14% of car parking on Winchmore Hill Broadway having gone, this development will lead to a further loss of revenue to local shops leading to potential closures

Impact on local residents

- The increase in vehicles on the road from potential residents of this development, will increase carbon monoxide levels which will impact locals and especially school children at Highfields school

Environmental

- This development will lead to the destruction of habitat and woodlands – the site is home to at least three different species of woodpecker (greater/lesser spotted and green varieties) as well as trees with protection orders (poplars and oak trees)
- In 1986, the Secretary of State allowed planning permission for Sainsburys to be built with the condition that the green space was retained for community use
- The green space is especially useful 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

Other issues

- This development will need to offer housing in keeping with the character of existing housing in Winchmore Hill. However, Enfield residents require larger, affordable family housing which this development will not be able to offer.
 - Inappropriate choice of site given the close proximity of existing traditional historical properties.
 - This development will lead to an over development of the area given the recent and future developments along Green Lanes - Travis Perkins, Capitol House etc • There will be construction vehicle disruption and increased building work traffic on a road (Green Lanes) already congested especially at peak times • There will be an impact on the skyline of Enfield and not in keeping with the existing character of the area
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