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I am 85 years old and have lived in Enfield since 1939. Like very many other ageing local residents I am not very IT or computer literate and have found it difficult to absorb many of the details of such a lengthy document online without the availability of a hard copy or the availability of presentation meetings with your Officers. I question whether a proper democratic consultation has taken place.

I accept the need for more housing within the Borough but query the likely accuracy of the population projections especially since we have yet to see the results of the 2021 Census.

My main objections to the draft Plan are:-

Policy SP PL9 - New houses at Crews Hill. Within the Green Belt and should not be developed with housing. This would create a commuters' village of "executive" high value houses, and in time would inevitably lead to an urban extension of North Enfield from the M25 to Clay Hill. The resulting traffic increase would add to the current congestion problem at peak times in this area.

Policy SP PL10 - New housing at Vicarage Farm/Chase Park - Within the Green Belt and should not be developed. This would desecrate this important historic remnant of Enfield Chase and would eradicate the rural buffer between Enfield and Oakwood.

SA62/SP CL4 - 42.5 hectares North of Whitewebbs Lane - This Green Belt land is a buffer between the semi-urban fringe of Bulls Cross and the M25 and should remain undeveloped.

Not long ago your Council stated publicly that the proposed housing development at Meridian Water would satisfy the Borough's projected housing needs for many years ahead, and that the Green Belt would be protected in line with the Mayor of London's policy. Whatever the current prospect at Meridian Water there is no justification for any housing in the Green Belt until every other potential site has been developed and a genuine case for additional dwellings has been made.

