
As a local resident I most strongly disagree with the proposed plans for the Sainsburys site 681 Green Lanes N21 3RS, as shown in Enfield Councils draft local plan, and wish to object for the following reasons:-

Impact on local residents

- The increase in vehicles on locals road from potential residents of this development. This will increase carbon monoxide levels which will impact locals and especially school children at both Highfields and Winchmore school which are both situated very close to this site.

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

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 Sectary 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 residential homes and 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 because of the introduction of Low Traffic Areas, especially at peak times
- There will be a negative impact on the skyline of Winchmore Hill if tall Buildings are built. These are not in keeping with the existing character of the area.

For these reasons I object to the proposals,

