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Please take this email as my strong objection to the proposed destruction of Enfield's precious green space.

Firstly, I would comment that accessing information available from the Council is quite challenging! Many people are not going to be easily able to read (on line) a 400+ page document (with no summary available) and containing detailed but very poor quality maps which are extremely hard to decipher. The Council doesn't seem to be doing enough to make the information easily accessible to the public; in fact it seems almost that the intention is to discourage public participation in the process. Though of course many residents of the borough will be hugely impacted by the proposed developments.

Having taken some considerable time to attempt to review the available information, I do have serious concerns, about development of Green Belt land in particular.

I also note that London in 2019 became the world's first National Park City, which aims to promote parks and green spaces, and increasingly so in the longer term. As stated in their letter of objection to the Council's proposals: '...the London Borough of Enfield and all Local Planning Authorities in London should be examining the entire urban fabric and should avoid using National Park City as a bargaining chip to justify loss of Green Belt and green space.'

I am aware that The Enfield Society, a respected organisation that aims to preserve the unique character of the borough, also has, and I believe with good reason, grave concerns and raised numerous objections to the proposals.

Surely priority should be given to developing (industrial) brown-field sites, although of course this may not be as straightforward (potential contamination etc). It seems incredible to state the need to protect the integrity of industrial land above that of the Green Belt. And what about the vast number of empty commercial properties in urban centres such as Enfield Town? Surely these should be prioritised for housing (and not by building vast tower blocks which destroy the unique character of a location such as the Enfield Town conservation area).

I moved from Central London to Enfield 10 years ago, attracted largely by the appeal of the many open green spaces in the borough. Whilst I understand there is an urgent demand for affordable housing in particular, many of the Council's proposals seem unnecessarily extreme.

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