

I am writing to express my grave concerns over the proposed development of the current Sainsbury's site on Green Lanes Winchmore Hill. As a resident of Fernleigh Road I have already had to endure significant developments in my immediate area which have a detrimental impact on the local area.

The introduction of the cycle lane was the first of these to increased congestion on Green Lanes the experimental LTN in Palmers Green has further exacerbated the situation with a significant increase in traffic along my road as people try to navigate their way from one side of the borough (North Circular) to the East of the borough. These have both led to the volume of standing traffic and pollution increasing in the area. The LTN has now created new "rat-runs" as people try to avoid the only 4 roads that they can use to get around.

The proposal outlined in the Appendix to the Local Plan on page 351 would take away a well used and very established green space which helps to alleviate some of the CO2 emissions from Green Lanes impacting local residents. At present the site is quite unobtrusive and provides the only large retailer within a one mile area of this densely populated area of the borough.

If the proposals were to be allowed there are a number of impacts on the local community

- [if !supportLists]-->a) <!--[endif]--> Increased flow of traffic to cope with the new residential properties
- [if !supportLists]-->b) <!--[endif]-->Access to the site – would this be on Green Lanes, an already very congested road
- [if !supportLists]-->c) <!--[endif]-->Infra structure – increased traffic and limited local facilities for existing residents. Currently local shopping facilities could not cope with the increased demand for food and other items offered by Sainsbury' forcing existing residents to have to drive instead of walk for their daily needs thus increasing the congestion.
- [if !supportLists]-->d) <!--[endif]-->Proposed housing is very unlikely to be "affordable" as demonstrated with the development backing onto the New River by Fords Grove where the prices start at £399,000 for a one bedroomed apartment.

Looking over the Local Plan I also notice that there are proposals which will impact **all** the large retailers in the local area – Asda and Marks and Spencer in Southgate, Tesco on Southbury Road and Morrisons on the A10. Is the idea that residents will only be able to get their food needs if they buy into the delivery schemes offered by these retailers who will have to relocate out of the local area? I have also noticed plans to develop Southbury

Road leisure centre removing sporting facilities which are widely used by the community in Enfield.

I trust the views of myself and many of my fellow residents will be taken into account by yourself and other members of the council when discussions take place after the initial consultation period has taken place.