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I would like to express my opposition to the following policies within the draft local plan and hope that you will support my objections which I know are shared by many, many Enfield residents.

- SP PL10 - pages 80-87
- SP PL9 - pages 77-80
- SA45 - page 364
- SA54 - page 374
- SA62 - page 383
- SP CL4 - pages 277-279

All the above policies propose the destruction of our green belt land. Whilst I understand the need for more homes building on green belt land should always be considered as a very last resort, after all other options have been exhausted, which I understand is not the case in this instance.

The proposed sites are part of historic Enfield Chase, a valuable asset to Enfield and one of the main reasons why I and many others I know choose to raise our families here. I fear that many families will simply move away should Enfield council go against public opinion and destroy these lands.

I do not believe that the proposed project aims to provide affordable homes and a boost to the local area. It seems from the plans that the aim is purely profit, building executive homes near stations and parkland which few people will be able to afford with little to no regard of the local residents or the surrounding area.

My objections to this build are varied and many. First and foremost, if the previous year has taught us anything it is the need for open spaces. Merryhills Way path has been used extensively by locals enjoying the outside space year-round. Local parks become inundated when the weather is good and Merryhills Way provides a wonderfully rural landscape in which people are able to exercise.

The area also provides a habitat for an abundance of wildlife including hedgehogs, bats, muntjac deer, pheasants, owls, woodpeckers and many species of birds. It also contains beautiful specimens of mature oak trees and ancient hedgerows. The impact to wildlife would be catastrophic.

Finally, I also have concerns about the infrastructure in place in the area. There are simply

not enough local services including healthcare and schools to accommodate such an influx of residents. Certainly on the Enfield Road side of the land there are already over 10 schools within a mile which are all full to capacity. Building another school would only add to the issue of local roads which are already gridlocked during school pick up and drop off times which is often dangerous. I cannot imagine what it would be like if these homes are built, the traffic and pollution would be unbearable and certainly affect people's health. GP surgeries, dental practices and other services are all already at breaking point.

Once the green belt land is gone it will be gone forever. Enfield is a wonderful place to live offering easy access to the city with beautiful countryside scenery. Please do not allow Enfield to become another concrete borough full of mis-matched architecture and stilted views. I urge you to please fight against the destruction of our borough.

Many thanks for taking the time to review my objections, I only hope they go some way to saving our greenbelt.