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I have lived in Hadley Wood with my wife and family for over 21 years and am a member of the Hadley Wood Association and Hadley Wood Tennis Club. The special character of Hadley Wood's location by the Green Belt and its green spaces have been key to initially attracting and subsequently keeping us here. I wish to object to the proposed site allocation, which would allow the development of 160 homes on Green Belt land.

Particular points of concern for me are:

1. Destruction of an area of Green Belt characterised in Enfield's most recent 2011 Characterisation Study as 'a special area of landscape character which is a major asset for the borough. It is of both landscape and historic significance'. The Study adds: 'The existing Green Belt boundary should be retained and protected, and future development and land use changes resisted'. I understand that it was not on the list for development in the 2018 consultation document and the council has not set out any 'exceptional circumstances' for release of this land.
2. Potential designation as 'available' and an 'allocated site' given the concomitant harm to the environment, the adjoining Conservation Areas, and pressure on already limited local amenities and infrastructure which would be likely to lead to significantly increased car use, and which thus represents flawed application of the intensification of density within 800 metres of a station criterion.
3. I understand the agricultural tenant's lease runs beyond the 5 year threshold - brownfield sites could be expected to become available in what would be a 10+ years' timeframe for the 160 homes proposed so the site proposed should not be included for development over that period.