
Response to the Draft Local Plan Reg 18 Consultation 2021

I am writing to object to the following Policies:

SP PL10, pages 80-87 and Figure 3.11; Policy SP PL9, pages 77-88 and Concept Plan Figure 3.10; Policy SA45: Land Between Camlet Way and Crescent Way, Hadley Wood, page 364; Policy SA54, page 374; Policy SA52 page 372; and Policy SA62 page 383 and SP CL4 pages 277-279. All of which propose the dedesignation of Green Belt for housing and other purposes.

I am an avid walker and along with friends and family use these green areas to enjoy the unique environment they provide. This has been of particular importance during the Covid pandemic and the positive implications on mental health. Once these historic areas of Enfield Chase are destroyed there is no going back these irreplaceable assets need to be retained for future generations to use and enjoy. The closure of Whitewebbs Golf Course is further example of the loss of public leisure amenities.

Green Belt environments has been proven to contribute to the prevention of climate change. The impact on the natural world with the erosion of habit and loss of animal and bird species in these green spaces should not be underestimated.

I understand the need for more housing but not at the expense of the Green Belt. I believe there are sufficient brown fields sites and areas ripe for regeneration within the borough such as areas of the Lee Valley which should be used before building on the Green Belt.

The impact of such developments site would negatively impact on the surrounding infrastructure which is already heavily use. The Ridgeway, Enfield and the Enfield Road A110 are already heavily used and dangerous roads. Traffic entering and exiting from both sides of the roads from numerous extra homes would further exacerbate this problem. Plans for new industrial, storage and distribution site

within Enfield Chase would mean an increase in HGV's on these unsuitable roads.

Public services like local schools and doctors are currently struggling to meet current demand. A commensurate rise in all these services would be essential for any new development meaning further 'creep' into the Green Belt.

Crews Hill is famous for its historical horticultural activities with people coming from far and wide to visit helping the economy and providing valuable local employment.