

I am writing to strongly object to the plan for redevelopment on the Sainsbury site on Green Lanes and would like the points below to be considered in the decision making process.

- Many houses in the area are already adapted for multiple occupancy and the growth in residents is higher than previously planned for.
- The new build on the Capitol House footprint has recently provided a number of new dwellings.
- The supermarket is well placed and convenient not only for the local footfall but is a preferred option for those who live a little further away since there is no similar competition in the immediate surroundings.
- The supermarket is situated well for the older generation in the area, most of whom would find it difficult to find another suitable shopping experience close by. On line shopping not being an option for many and the lack of social interaction gained by shopping locally would result in social and physical well being of the older generation being negatively affected.
- The green space behind the supermarket provides an outlet for the many living in rooms and flats in the surrounding area, This was evident during the pandemic when we could only take local walks and was a lifeline for many.
- The space from the unused police station and the closed builders merchants already provides a substantial plot for new housing.

To build a high number of new dwellings and take away an essential amenity does not make for good economic and environmental planning. It will create a higher number of car users who will have no choice but to travel out of the immediate local area to do their essential shopping. This will inevitably lead to more congestion on the roads, something Enfield has been working hard to avoid and will go against the cleaner air agenda.

I understand and appreciate that the council is under pressure to provide more housing, but to build on locations that provide the residents of Enfield an environment that is safe and pleasant does fit in with the LBE's ideals.