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Dear Enfield Council,

I have been able to call Hadley Wood 'Home' for almost 45 years since moving to the area with my wife and two young children in January 1977.

Hadley Wood is a unique area. Surrounded by Green Belt, open spaces, and Woodland, you can forget that you are just a few miles away from the M25 motorway. I am therefore saddened that the council are considering causing irreparable harm to the environment and character of the area with the proposed development of 160 homes at site SA45.

Over the years I have witnessed a lot of changes to Hadley Wood. Early developments were infrequent, however recently the building work has become constant, and the area has become increasingly congested by works vehicles. Local roads have become overflow car parks for contractors and the proposed development will only add to these problems.

Further development in the area will inevitably lead to increased pressures on our local services and amenities. All three of my children and my oldest grandchild were able to be educated at Hadley Wood Primary School. However, the school is already oversubscribed, and many local residents are unable to secure places for their children. Moreover, Enfield and its environs are not well served by Secondary Schooling options for residents considering their children's next stage of education.

In terms of transport, although Hadley Wood has a mainline train station, it is mostly used for journeys to and from the city. There are limited links with the rest of the borough and cars remain the most reliable means of transport for residents of the area. More homes will bring more cars and more cars will increase traffic and pollution in the area.

Whilst aware of the need for more homes, destroying precious Green Belt land cannot be the answer, particularly given the pressing need for environmental

responsibility. I therefore object to the proposed development at Site SA45 – Land between Camlet Way and Crescent East, Hadley Wood.

Thank you.