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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing this email with reference to the proposed Housing Strategy document (<https://new.enfield.gov.uk/services/planning/enfield-strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment-shlaa-2020-planning.pdf>).

I am concerned at the Sainsbury site being considered for development and would like to raise serious points that mean the site should not be considered for flats.

#### Environment Concerns

It is our understanding that there is already a precedent that this site should not be considered for such a development and this was factored into the Sainsbury development where a greenbelt space was developed and there was a ceiling height on the Sainsbury structure. I am insisting on the protection of green space as it exists and will only support the widening of that green space; no impact would be tolerated by those residents in support of this.

It will also affect the following things;

#### Local Facilities

- The loss of a major supermarket in the area will force people to have to drive further. This would especially affect elderly and disabled residents and increase car usage on local roads
- No supporting community infrastructure planned which will lead to an overstretch of existing facilities such as schools, doctors' surgeries, dentists
- With the Fords Grove car park going and 14% of car parking on Winchmore Hill Broadway having gone, this development will lead to a further loss of revenue to local shops leading to potential closures

As a teacher in Enfield I know all too well about the lack of school places in this area. Where will the children in these new properties go to school?

#### Impact on local residents

- The increase in vehicles on the road from potential residents of this development, will increase carbon monoxide levels which will impact locals and especially school children at Highfields school

What will happen to the local library that sits on the site? This is an integral part of our community and offers much support for its residents.

#### Environmental

- This development will lead to the destruction of habitat and woodlands – the site is home to at least three different species of woodpecker (greater/lesser spotted and green varieties) as well as trees with protection orders (poplars and oak trees)
- In 1986, the Secretary of State allowed planning permission for Sainsburys to be built with the condition that the green space was retained for community use
- The green space is especially useful for residents who live in the surrounding flats and do not have gardens
- The area is used by families and elderly alike, which contributes to the health and

wellbeing of all residents of Enfield

Other issues

- This development will need to offer housing in keeping with the character of existing housing in Winchmore Hill. However, Enfield residents require larger, affordable family housing which this development will not be able to offer.
- Inappropriate choice of site given the close proximity of existing traditional historical properties.
- This development will lead to an over development of the area given the recent and future developments along Green Lanes - Travis Perkins, Capitol House etc
- There will be construction vehicle disruption and increased building work traffic on a road (Green Lanes) already congested especially at peak times
- There will be an impact on the skyline of Enfield and not in keeping with the existing character of the area

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