Dear Madam/Sir

Re: Draft Local Plan - Site SA45 - Land between Camlet Way and Crescent West Hadley Wood

I have been resident in Hadley Wood since 1998.My husband and I have brought up our family in Hadley Wood.We have chosen to retire in Hadley Wood.We derive tremendous pleasure from living in Hadley Wood; it's a wonderful community to live in and a very special area indeed with precious Green belt land enabling us to walk and enjoy fresh air and breathtaking natural beauty which will be destroyed forever by allowing development of 160 homes on Green belt land.

We would therefore like to express our strong opposition to the proposed housing development.

It is wholly unacceptable to increase the housing stock on precious open space which is vital for health and well-being of the community; mental health and physical wellbeing. Once land is built on and developed it's gone forever and the natural environment is devastated. The opportunity for community health and well-being is lost forever with adverse effect.

The local infrastructure of Hadley Wood cannot accommodate the type of housing development envisaged. There are not the community resources to support the proposed population to be housed.

The primary school is small without room for expansion. There is no local secondary school provision. Public transport is poor and very limited. The roads can't accommodate any more traffic and there's already unmanageable traffic congestion.

There is no local GP and primary care provision. The health service provision for Hadley Wood requires a car to reach local GP surgeries. Services for the Hadley Wood Community are woefully inadequate and hugely overstretched.

The Metropolitan Police aren't able to ensure the safety of our community as the local service is overstretched and massively under resourced. We already provide for ourselves by engaging a private security patrol. It's unacceptable to be considering increasing the size of the community with an inability to ensure safety of residents person and property.

We respectfully request that the Council gives serious consideration to the issues raised to substantiate why we feel so strongly about exercising our rights as local residents of many years to strongly and vehemently object to inappropriate and unwise development; high density living is out of character for the area and will certainly result in devastation and destruction to open spaces and wild life; the inadequate infrastructure for health, education, social care, policing, transportation, shops and roads can't support the unwise and unsafe development.

Thank you for giving this matter your attention and consideration.