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Dear Sirs

**Local Plan - Site SA45 – Land between Camlet Way and Crescent West, Hadley Wood**

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I have lived in Hadley Wood for over 20 years and regularly walk in this area with my family both for exercise and to get to the station. I am very upset at the thought of losing all this valuable green belt to build houses that will overcrowd the area and put extra pressure on the limited services that are here.

I object to this for several reasons

**This is an unnecessary large-scale destruction of Green Belt.**

As this is such a small area, why are so many houses being planned? Yesterday I wanted to get a train into town and only one train an hour was running. If the transport service is struggling now, how will it manage with such an expansion of properties?. There is only one infrequent shopping bus and the nearest larger shops are in Cockfosters and Barnet, which means added road traffic. The Cockfosters road and Barnet areas are already congested as it is as are Beech Hill and Camlet Way, with constant new developments.

**Increased housing in Hadley Wood is not 'sustainable development'.**

Hadley Wood is a car dependent neighbourhood, local amenities are really lacking, we already need to go further afield for GPs, post offices and leisure facilities. Nevertheless, the Plan proposes the new housing development, why are brownfield sites not being used instead?

The Council has not even included any of their landholdings or estates, surely these could be used first.

I would ask the Council to change the Local Plan to retain the green belt in this area, to avoid disrupting the area further.

Yours faithfully