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Dear Council Members

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

I have lived in Hadley Wood on Camlet Way for over 20 years, raising my family of three daughters with direct access and views over the land in question. I have very fond memories of my daughters feeding the horses that graze on the green belt area in question. My house is grade 2 listed and the main reason I bought the house was for the views and tranquil surrounds. I thought that green belt areas owned by Duchy of Lancaster would be safe from development.

I would like to log my objections for adding this green belt land for development for the following reasons:

- Lack of local services - The Local area has very few amenities, this includes only one small local shop for food and groceries within walking distance. All other shops in Cockfosters or Barnet will mean those new homes will need cars, increasing traffic on already congested roads, adding pollution when as a nation we are trying to cut down our Carbon foot print. Not only are you removing 100's of trees using green belt land but adding 100's of cars. There is only one bus that runs up Camlet Way, this takes you away from Enfield into Barnet, therefor not giving any benefit to Enfield Council.
- Lack of Schools - There is only one junior school in Hadley Wood, this is a fantastic school and is full and I believe has a waiting list every year. There is no senior school at all.
- Lack of policing - Many years ago the then Police Chief came to a meeting to discuss the violent crimes that where taking place in Hadley Wood, and the lack of patrol cars that where available to Hadley Wood. She said that with all the will in the world, no police cars would ever get to Hadley Wood as the rest of Enfield would always get the cars first, as crime in other areas were more frequent. Hadley Wood now run a very successful private security scheme, as a direct result of a lack of Enfield council being able to provide sufficient policing for the houses already in the area.
- Green Belt - Green belt land should be sacrosanct, the land was bequeathed to the nation by past generations, and we should take care before allowing it to disappear under bricks and mortor. Once it's built on, there's no turning back.
- Wasting money - Enfield Council would have to buy the land at high costs, the

council already own plenty of land, including Crews Hill golf club and several farms in Crews Hill. I'm sure these areas would provide more housing and more affordable housing than the site in question SA45. I would have thought that the council had a duty of care to provide affordable housing, this plot of land is not easy to build on. Its on a slope and is prone to flooding. I'm sure there are much better plots available.

In conclusion any development will be for families who will have 2.4 children, 2 cars and will need schooling, shops and road network. All of these are sadly lacking in Hadley Wood. I would therefore strongly recommend removing this parcel of land from the local plan.

Yours Sincerely