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Dear Sir/Madam,

We are writing to express my deep unhappiness with the draft local plan for Enfield in particular with regards to the development of Greenbelt countryside in the borough. We deeply oppose the development of 'Chase Park' or 'Vicarage Farm' Policy SP PL 10, pages 80-87, and Figure 3.11.

We am not opposed to building new homes and as a young couple with young children we understand the difficulties of getting onto the housing market, however we do not think the development of this area of Green Belt land will produce the affordable housing the borough desperately needs as seen by the development of Trent Park. Instead it will increase polution, traffic and removing our beloved green spaces to benefit developers. Once the Green Belt is gone we cannot get it back and as the climate crisis looms it seems entirely counter intuitative to develop these sites when there are brownfield sites available that could provide affordable housing.

With regards to this specific site we do not think it is a good choice. During lockdown the ability to access countryside was invaluable to the mental health of me and my family and many others in the area. On a practical point the traffic on the Bramley Road is often very slow at the moment especially at peak periods of the day. My husband I have both witnessed very unsafe driving with drivers mounting pavements to overtake other vehicles. I understand from the plans that there is an assumption that residents will not drive however I believe this is unlikely especially given that many residents will have families. This particular area cannot cope with additional traffic burden.