

Dear Sirs,

I strongly object to Enfield Council's assault on our borough's Green Belt. This historic area which is under threat is our heritage and must be preserved for our future generations and not left to the whim of developers supported by the council.

I agree that there is a definitely a need for more housing in the borough especially to help those families which have been on the housing list for many years, but the type of development proposed in the areas which are under threat should not go ahead. We need affordable first-time homes and not homes for people going up the housing ladder and filling developers' pockets.

I particularly object to the following proposals which have been earmarked for Green Belt areas that should be protected by the Council and not given up to building projects and be lost for ever. Enfield has a very important historical past which should be preserved.

**The area on both sides of the A110: (Policy SP PL 10 – pages 80-87 and figure 3.11)** Roads in this area are already congested and the number of houses proposed and the infrastructure needed to support these dwellings would not be sustainable. Access to Merryhills Way is a right of local residents for recreation and well-being. The thought of concreting over such a vast area as Vicarage Farm is unimaginable and a loss of historical Enfield Chase.

**Crews Hill: (Policy SP PL 9 – pages 77-80 and Concept Plan Figure 3.10)** There is no other London borough which has such a unique facility for its residents. Indeed people come from far and wide to visit Crews Hill nurseries. The number of people's livelihoods that would be lost and the excessive number of houses that are planned for development is a real concern with the impact this would have on local transport and educational needs. The threat to rural Crews Hill golf club which provides exercise and social benefits for local residents must be reconsidered, the council has already deprived residents of the use of Whitewebbs Golf Club which was understood would be kept as a wild park for recreation but which now appears to have mostly disappeared for Tottenham Hotspur to develop their training facilities, with no thought of the historic nature of the area. This golf course was always busy and set in amazing countryside which will now disappear forever. The number of footpaths in the area will also be affected creating a loss of enjoyment for the general public.

**Spurs Training Ground: (SA62 – page 383 and SP CL4 – pages 277-**

279) Again, this would be a vast area of Green Belt countryside lost for ever.

**Holly Hill Farm and surrounding areas: (SA 54, page 374)**

This is another Green Belt area that the council plans to develop. I strongly object to your planned course of action. The historic significance and beauty of Enfield Chase should be preserved and its land should not become factory and warehousing developments.

**Enfield Town: (DE6 - pages 156-160) and Palace Gardens Shopping**

**Centre: page 321** Enfield Town is a conservation area that must be preserved at all costs. The building of high-rise apartment blocks should not be permitted as this would have a dramatic effect on the surrounding area of historical value.

I believe there are a number of brownfield sites and other buildings that are no longer in use that could be converted to residential properties before destroying our heritage.

Please listen to the number of local residents who are passionate about the historic value and beauty of Enfield Chase and who are appalled by your proposals.

**\* SAVE OUR GREEN BELT AND OUR TOWN**