

Dear Sir,

I am writing as an Enfield resident to strongly object to the following Policies: SP PL 10, pages 80-87, and Figure 3.11; SP PL9, pages 77-80 and Concept Plan Figure 3.10; SA62 page 383 & SP CL4 pages 277–279; SA54, page 374 – all of which propose the dedesignation of Green Belt for housing and other purposes.

These sites are part of historic Enfield Chase, and played an important role in the development of Enfield. It is a rare and valuable landscape asset and its loss would cause permanent harm not only to the Green Belt, but also to the very character of the borough.

I also object to Policies SA62 page 383 and SP CL4 pages 277-279 because they transfer part of Whitewebbs Park, a public amenity, into private management. Whitewebbs Park should be left in its entirety for public use, even if the golf course remains closed.

I am also objecting to the tall building policies on pages 156-160, Figure 7.3, Figure 7.4 and Policy DE6, and SA2 Palace Gardens Shopping Centre page 321 which propose areas for and the acceptable height of tall buildings which would mar the landscape, and are unnecessary because other lower-rise building forms could provide the same accommodation, as stated in the policy. This emphasis on tall buildings is repeating the past mistakes of the 1960's, with undesirable high-rise accommodation leading to future social problems.

These plans set out by Enfield council will not deliver the affordable social housing that the area needs. The proposed large housing estates will require new public amenities such as schools, shops, medical facilities, and improved transport links - leading to more local congestion.

The green belt was designed to prevent urban sprawl, safeguarding the countryside from encroachment, and preserving the character of historic towns such as Enfield. During the pandemic these large public spaces gave people the opportunity to escape their confinement, to get outside & exercise in natural surroundings.

The council's proposals to concrete over the green belt show little understanding or sympathy with the borough's history, & will permanently destroy these areas for future generations.