

To The Enfield Planning Department,

I wish to strongly object to the above planning application. As I local resident of Hadley Wood for more than a decade, this development not only encroaches into the green belt, but it also threatens to destroy the character and charm that attracted us to Hadley Wood in the first place. Hadley Wood is supposed to be a part of the local conservation area and so this development seems completely at odds with what we should be trying to protect.

Hadley Wood does not have the amenities to be able to support such significant growth in its housing and number of residents. Road congestion is already a major problem and the proposed development would only worsen the situation in Hadley Wood as well as the existing bottlenecks going into Cockfosters and High Barnet.

The green belt must be protected and preserved. The ability to walk in the open fields in Hadley Wood was one of the key reasons my family was able to cope with the mental health challenges posed by the Covid pandemic.

The planning authorities should be looking at other brownfield sites across London to meet general housing needs rather than threatening development of the green belt.