

We are very worried about the apparent desire of Enfield Council to go ahead with plans for development on Green Belt land, which is against the spirit of the local plan and even the Mayor of London is not happy about it.

The Green Belt is for everyone and provides benefits to all. The proposed buildings are not going to improve the quantity and quality of social housing in the borough and will set a dangerous precedent for the future. There are many brownfield sites within the borough which should be utilised for housing before the green belt is considered. Many years ago Enfield had many industries now long gone. There were lots of jobs but times have changed and many manufacturing industries are no longer in the UK and certainly not in Enfield. The population needs jobs and homes, a good balance of both, but with climate change and pollution on the rise it is vital that the green belt remains untouched for current and future generations. It is not something that should be squandered for the benefit of a few developers who care little for the local populations. And of course any future developments should only be granted permission if the necessary infrastructure and services are paid for by the developer, e.g. roads, transport, medical and schools. The tiny amount of money that developers pay towards these things, if at all, is a scandal. And the tiny percentage of social housing being provided too. How many executive homes do we need?