

Dear Sirs,

I totally support the submission of the Enfield Society.

One of the principal drivers for the creation of the Green Belt was to stop Urban Sprawl, this plan does the exact opposite. I can't support that.

In the sixties or so there was uproar at the terrible living conditions and effects on the surroundings of tower blocks. What has happened since to change all that. You will need to produce very convincing evidence from impartial sources that show the concerns we had then have now gone away! Even the London Plan states that blocks should not exceed 7/8 stories. Isn't Enfield part of London. Tall blocks consume more energy per square foot and are less sustainable than other types of building.

If there is a shortage of truly affordable accommodation, particularly for the young who already live in Enfield, there are Brownfield Sites available which should be cleaned up and used. These sites should be listed and for each one the reasons, if any, why it has been rejected for housing.

We should not be striving to attract in new residents to the Borough, it is overcrowded already. The Green Belt must be protected. Its existence will help to reduce pollution. More people in means more cars and more pollution.

We're you to proceed with these plans unaltered there would need to be quite intrusive new infrastructure requirements. These would no doubt be an increase to the amount of Green Belt you need to take away, and which will further add to the urban sprawl, and further change the character of the Borough.

The age demographics for many of the super store sites shows that there is a great need for car parks to adjacent to them. Older people and the incapacitated absolutely do need to use their cars even for these short journeys. They cannot cycle nor walk, especially with heavy shopping bags.

People will need to commute and having car parks near stations is eminently sensible, to remove them is nonsensical. There has been no referendum for the public to agree to the abolition of cars from the roads, and no council mandate so to do. The piecemeal policy of driving cars off the roads by this council is not supported by the majority of people I speak to. Not granting planning for parking spaces when there are new builds is undemocratic and dangerous. People need cars.

I send this in the hope that it will be read and counted and not simply binned along with all other petitions which don't support this council's proposals.

Yours in Hope rather than expectation
Russell Miller