Hello

I am writing to express grave reservations about the inclusion of Sainsburys Green Lanes as a site allocation for up to 299 homes and 13,325 sq/ft of commercial space in Enfield's Local Plan.

Although I understand the need for the council to meet the growing need for homes across the borough in the next 20 years and beyond, I believe this site to be wholly inappropriate.

Sainsbury's is the only major supermarket in the area, and despite the trend towards online grocery shopping, the loss of such a facility in the area will adversely impact elderly and disabled residents and increase car usage on local roads, with subsequent knock-on impacts on air quality and traffic noise.

Furthermore, the development of residential and commercial property on this land would directly contradict Enfield's aim to be "a deeply green space". The green space behind the store is especially useful for residents who live in the surrounding flats and do not have gardens, and used by families and elderly alike, which contributes to the health and wellbeing of all residents of Enfield.

Finally, I have little faith that the addition of 300 new homes here, and a further 100 between the Fords Grove car park and the old Travis Perkins building, will be accompanied by the requisite critical infrastructure such as schools, doctors and dentists, which are already overstretched.

I hope that the council will take into consideration this, and the voices of many other residents who have expressed similar concerns.