

To whom it may concern,

Local Plan - Site SA45 – Land between Camlet Way and Crescent West, Hadley Wood

As a resident of Hadley Wood for over a decade, I wish to strongly object to the proposed release of this green belt site and the site allocation, which would allow the development of 160 homes on green belt land for the following reasons:

1. INADEQUATE INFRASTRUCTURE. The area is already struggling with suitable road access, insufficient transport links and few amenities and shops with existing population. Increasing the number of residents will also increase car traffic that is already causing congestion and poor air quality.

2. GREEN BELT SHOULD BE PROTECTED. The Green Belt must be protected and preserved. It has remained unspoilt for hundreds of years and provides valuable recreational space, clean air and a wildlife sanctuary.

3. IT IS UNNECESSARY AND WRONG. It is not clear that options of refurbishing or re-building in built-up areas have been adequately and exhaustively explored. There is also no evidence of compliance with the Duty to Cooperate with other boroughs.

5. CLIMATE CHANGE. As a car-dependent location Hadley Wood is not a suitable location for a large-scale increase in housing at site SA45 or through intensification. The already existing congestion would be worsened, leading to air pollution and accidents.

Please remove all of site SA45 from the proposed allocation and fully investigate all brownfield sites in private and public ownership before looking to build on the green belt.