

cycling out of the question for a vast majority of future residents. i.e. very young or elderly, disabled, less than super fit, supermarket shoppers etc. This plan is ridiculous and totally unrealistic.

- It has high volumes of heavy lorry traffic at peak times travelling between the motorway junctions M25, Jct. 24 and 25 and the A10 .
- It is also the main cut through between Potters Bar, Cuffley and the motorway for vehicles travelling south and down the A10.
- It is a heavily congested area which will not cope with the cars generated from 3,000 plus houses.
- Public transport to the area is very poor and is unlikely to be much improved by Network Rail (over which the council has no control) judging by the services to Gordon Hill and Enfield Chase that are substantial urban areas.
- There are no basic essential amenities in the area to support this new housing. The nearest amenities are over 2 miles away.

6) The nature of the horticultural sector in Crews Hill has been misunderstood and disregarded.

- Many of the businesses in Crews Hill are Family owned going back for generations. The council appears to place no value on these businesses.
- The garden centers bring enormous visitor income into Enfield and also create substantial employment. They are renowned nationwide and an important part of Enfield's Horticultural Heritage.
- The garden centers also bring income to other secondary business in the area all of which will be lost if the land is turned into housing estates.

7) Other proposals in the draft local plan that I think are ill considered and unacceptable are:

- The viability and impact of the massive proposed increase in housing in the area.
- The removal of the Crews Hill Golf Club and its amenities for housing, depriving Enfield of this valuable green space and amenity
- The resulting congestion on the road through Crews Hill and other roads nearby.
- The loss of income and employment for businesses linked to garden centres.
- The implausibility of offering 'affordable' housing especially with gardens and greenhouses as planned in the ELP.

8) The apparent inaccurate estimates for population growth and shortage of brownfield land in Enfield, necessitating the de-designation of Green Belt for house building.

- Checks are needed on population estimates using the recent census.
- The availability of suitable brown field land in the borough needs further investigation as other studies (EnCaf and Better Homes Enfield) suggest the ELP has underestimated the figures and there is more than enough suitable land.
- All Brownfield options must be examined before there is any consideration of de-designating green belt land for building.