

Draft Enfield Local Plan

As a member of the Enfield Society, I note that the Society supports the proposals for place-making areas within existing built-up areas etc.

However, I share its concern that some aspects of the plan will have highly damaging impacts on the special character and identity of the borough; in particular, the apparent weight given to the protection of strategic industrial locations and too little weight to the contribution of Green Belt countryside and historic landscapes such as Enfield Chase to the history and character of the borough.

To take but one example, although I live in the east of the borough, I value the visual separation between Enfield Town and Oakwood when travelling by bus on the A110. These things make Enfield a special place and differentiate it from other places in the region that have carelessly disregarded what gave them character in the first place

I understand that if it were not for the Enfield Society, there would be no Chase Green, which would have been given over to Council offices, and the special character of the western approach to Enfield Town would have been lost.

I would therefore urge the Council to pay particular regard to the specific points raised by the Enfield Society which I have always found to be scrupulously fair and thorough in assisting me with planning matters.