

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you to submit my views against certain details outlined in the council's Draft Local plan. In principal, for a council to outline a long term plan to identify land and property that can be developed to provide more homes, is a good idea. However, I strongly oppose to including land that sits within London's Green Belt.

I understand that the council's target of 25,000 new homes could be achieved if the draft plan is approved as it stands, but I do not agree with the notion that if parts of it are changed to exclude Green Belt land, that the plan as a whole is rendered unworkable and fails to deliver the target figures. Other solutions should be, and can be, investigated.

The Plan should not include Vicarage Farm, Crews Hill Golf Course, and other Green Belt locations. New homes can be built without slowly chipping away at the lungs of London, and I stand with the Mayor of London, that we should collectively do everything in our power to preserve the Green Belt for future generations.

With climate change, air pollution and other negative impact environmental issues, we need more green spaces, trees and wetlands. The council has embarked on addressing some of these issues, however, if there is to be more development on Green Belt land, then what the council are currently doing, in planting trees and building wetlands, will render the Enfield Chase Restoration inefficient, even more trees and wetlands will need to be provided.

Development on Green Belt land will increase traffic flow, congestion and pollution, and will undoubtedly affect our collective physical and mental health.

The argument that just because the east of the Borough is densely developed, then the western boundaries should also be densely developed, is shortsighted, confrontational and has no basis in logical thought.

London's Green Belt benefits us all - ONCE THE GREEN BELT IS GONE - IT'S GONE!

I am objecting to housing being built on our green belt and all of the following points:

- The 'Spatial strategy' ([section 2.4](#)) which identifies how growth will be distributed across the Borough over the plan period and gives rise to the strategies for housing, employment, town centres and countryside green belt;
- 3,000 new houses at a 'deeply green' 'sustainable urban extension' referred to as 'Chase Park' (also known as Vicarage Farm) on the open Green Belt countryside next to Trent Park either side of the A110 (Enfield Road) between Oakwood and Enfield town ([Policy SP PL 10, pages 80-87, and Figure 3.11](#));
- 3,000 new houses in a 'sustainable settlement' at Crews Hill with the potential for longer

term expansion up to 7,500 new homes right up to the M25. ([Policy SP PL9, pages 77-80 and Concept Plan Figure 3.10](#));

- 160 homes in Green Belt countryside at Hadley Wood ([SA45: Land Between Camlet Way and Crescent Way, Hadley Wood, page 364](#));
- 11 hectares of new industrial and storage and distribution use at what is currently agricultural land east of Junction 24 of the M25 at part of new Cottages and Holly Hill Farm within Enfield Chase ([SA54, page 374](#));
- a big expansion of the Spurs football training ground to the north of Whitewebbs Lane up to the M25, comprising of 42.5 hectares of land, for “professional sport, recreation and community sports/leisure uses” ([SA62 page 383 & SP CL4 pages 277–279](#));