

Dear Sirs

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

We have recently bought a property in Hadley Wood, directly across from the fields off Bartrams Lane. This site forms part of a stunning landscape which goes well beyond the borough boundary. I am very saddened by the prospect of losing this valuable green belt asset for development, particularly as this space was a key reason for choosing to move to the area. We have a teenage son with fragile mental health who thrives in outdoor spaces. It would be devastating to lose this beautiful and health-promoting environment.

I therefore 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:

This is an unnecessary large scale destruction of Green Belt

Increased housing in Hadley Wood is not 'sustainable development'

The Local Plan fails to develop/prioritise all brownfield sites

The Site is surrounded by Conservation Areas and Grade II listed buildings Environmental – Building on this land will increase climate change not reduce it Other brownfield sites have not been fully reviewed and utilised

No evidence why the Area of Special Character is no longer appropriate