

To the Council

As a long term Enfield resident having been born / bred / worked in the borough I must vehemently object to the wanton and needless destruction of the Green Belt .

( Further links : My father worked at the old GLC and Enfield Social Services Department for some 30 years )

There are Brownfield sites to build on and I'm sure dozens of sites with planning permission granted but not taken up by builders for one reason or another . Meridian Water remains to be fully developed after how many years plus Brimsdown for example to be looked at for development.

As ever the Green Belt remains the go - to soft option with a greater financial return for developers in private housing and making little or no difference to the property shortage with Social and affordable housing pushed into the background .

More work needs to be done in creating Enfield as an Agricultural and Horticultural hub with a ready made supply of what will be very ' hungry ' job seekers / students from Capel Manor in the months and years to come . I know : I have worked as a volunteer at Forty Hall in the organic vineyard which could be expanded along with its organic market gardening / site shop amenity .

In addition in times of international uncertainty we must have food security for the United kingdom - at least to near capacity to feed itself and if possible export to the rest of the world .

Joined up thinking please