

'Enfield Local Plan consultation'

I OBJECT to the draft local plan.

Green Belt land should not be built upon. The proposed 3,000 new homes at Crews Hill and another 3,000 on the Vicarage Farm site to the east of Trent Park should not be built.

The land north and south of Hadley Road are important for the character of the area, and should be preserved as green spaces, to areas with distinct entities merging into one urban sprawl.

I object in particular to:

- 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**);
- 160 homes in Green Belt countryside at Hadley Wood (**SA45: Land Between Camlet Way and Crescent Way, Hadley Wood, page 364**);
- 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**);

Is Enfield serious about playing its part in combating climate change, and meeting government targets for COP26, it needs to preserve Green Belt land, not build on it. Enfield Chase was once a large forest that swept around the north east of London from Barnet to Epping. Only a few pockets of this precious ancient wood remain. A society truly concerned about collapsing ecosystems would be seeking to join up the remaining pockets of ancient woodland with wildlife corridors and attempting to restore what it can of this ancient habitat.