

Hello,

I would like to comment on the proposed draft local plan.

Firstly there is a lot in the plan to be excited about as a resident of the borough. In particular the commitment to the environment and sustainability.

However I do have some major reservations on a few areas:

1) There doesn't appear to be much mention over what impacts this plan will have on the health facilities of the borough in particular of North Middlesex Hospital? Especially as most of the proposed developments are centred near to this hospital as opposed to Barnet and how will the Council work to ensure safety of it's residents for using their services in particular A+E and Maternity. Whether that is for the plan or needs a separate commentary? I'm not sure, however I think this urgently needs to be addressed especially if the Council expects the population to have grown by 50,000 in 2039.

2) For School Places, I'm again concerned by the impacts on the local schools of the surrounding areas where developments are proposed. Will there be a new school built? will the Council look at modular buildings for existing schools to cope with demand? I have misgivings whether this can be dealt with alone through s106 agreements.

3) On the developments themselves, I'm concerned that the commentary doesn't mention whether for the sites of Tesco (superstore), Sainsbury and Morrisons, will it mean that should developments go-ahead on those stores that we would lose those stores and have only housing developments in place? or will they co-exist on the land? if it's the Former, I would be concerned on the lose of those vital amenities for residents, especially during the peak periods of Covid where online deliveries were hard to obtain. The loss of all three stores would be detriment to the residents not to mention the loss of local employment opportunities in the borough. The plan mentioned £3,500 development cost for a loss of job, which seems very low to me. Again I'm not sure what the impacts are on schools, health facilities? Will they be ramped up to support this.?