

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a frequent visitor to Hadley Wood of many years.

I value all the green spaces within Hadley wood and think this is a stunning area which is so close to London. The Green Belt protects the special character of the area.

I object to the proposed site allocation, which would allow the development of 160 homes on Green Belt land.

My objections are principally based on the following:

1. The proposals would destroy a valued and special part of the Green Belt which is integral to the local character of Hadley Wood. I note that Enfield's most recent Characterisation Study refers to the area as "a special area of landscape character which is a major asset for the Borough. It is of both landscape and historic significance", and "The existing Green Belt Boundary should be retained and protected and future development and land use changes resisted".
2. The plan fails to respect the established principle of developing/prioritising brownfield sites, instead choosing to build on a green belt site with poor local connections and .
3. This is the wrong location for a development, given said poor connections and local amenities.
4. Local wildlife and biodiversity would be harmed.
5. This would increase the already significant flood risk in the area.

Can you please therefore remove this proposed site allocation from the next edition of the Local Plan and retain the green belt status for the land.