

Dear Sir or Madam,

I have reviewed with interest the draft local Plan published on the Enfield Council website.

As someone born and still living in Enfield, I understand the need to have a clear plan for the future of Enfield and its current and future residents.

However, I am concerned about the development named Chase Park that is described in Policy SP PL 10 (Section 3.10, pages 81-87) and Figure 3.11. My family and I enjoy the walk from Enfield Town to Trent Park and feel that the loss of access to wide open spaces in such close proximity to Enfield Town would be extremely detrimental to the area. Furthermore, the existing roads around Enfield are already severely congested and the proposed addition of 3,000 houses in this area (Strategic Policy SP H1, page 184) will bring the area to a standstill on a regular basis. I note that there are no feasible modifications that can be made to existing major roads in Enfield to mitigate this. The plans for active travel are unlikely to make a significant difference for what is a very large number of new houses.

I have lesser concerns about the proposal for Tottenham Hotspur's use of Whitewebbs described in SA62 (page 383) & SP CL4 (pages 277–279). However, it should be remembered that this is currently publicly accessible land. While a small area for training facilities in the north of Whitewebbs seems acceptable, it would be wholly unacceptable for general access to the majority of the current golf course and park area to become restricted in any way. As a regular user, I note that the golf course in its current 're-wilded' state probably attracts more leisure users than the golf course did and it would be disappointing to lose this.

However, I also feel there is an opportunity to retain some form of public golf activity (9 holes?), and a larger parkland while still allowing Tottenham Hotspur to expand their training facilities.

Finally, I think great consideration should be given to the possible provision of tall buildings in Enfield Town as described in pages 156-60, Figure 7.3, Figure 7.4 and Policy DE6, and SA2 Palace Gardens Shopping centre page 321. The existing Palace Gardens shopping centre has a large footprint and the proposed number of dwellings can be easily achieved without resorting to buildings that are significantly higher than currently exist in the immediate area.