

Dear Sirs

I STRONGLY OBJECT TO THIS PLAN

I moved to Hadley Wood 15 years ago because of its charm and the green space provided by the green belt. I am therefore disappointed to hear that you plan to build on it. This will destroy the natural beauty of the area and devastate the habitats of the fabulous wildlife living there. Thus, it totally contravenes Enfield's biodiversity policy.

FLOODING

The removal of the green belt will cause flooding especially as the main river runs through Hadley Wood. As it is, my back garden is always very wet and this was confirmed in January 2020 by Mr James Clark, planning officer at Enfield Council who came to do a site visit. This is a common problem in Hadley Wood from overdevelopment of the land.

SAVE OUR PROTECTIVE GREEN BELT

The Green Belt is there to protect areas such as Hadley Wood, to stop it being swallowed up by concrete, turning it into yet another unnecessary town. It is also there to separate Barnet from Potters Bar.

Furthermore, It helps maintain good air quality for us all and is essential in the fight against climate change.

SAVE OUR CONSERVATION AREA

The meadows and trees that would be lost by this development are currently a major feature of both the Hadley Wood and Monken Hadley conservation areas. Therefore, it is crucial that they are kept in place for future generations to benefit from and especially, in view of the fact that Enfield Council can use other brownfield sites to build upon.

NOT SUSTAINABLE TO BUILD ON THIS GREEN BELT

It is not sustainable to build on this Green belt because Hadley Wood is a very small area with one primary school and only a few shops. There will be too many cars which will cause heavy traffic and pollution contravening Enfield's policies for cycling and walking. This is unfair because I moved to the area because of the good air quality and because of the tranquil environment.

Moreover, the site is totally unsuitable for the 160 houses that you propose. It is sloping and the lower part of the site is directly in the flood area for the main river and therefore constant problems with surface water run-off issues within the site will occur. This will respectively cause flooding in many Hadley Wood gardens as the water is forced downstream.

PLEASE REMOVE THIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Can you please therefore, remove this proposed site allocation from the next edition of the Local Plan in order to retain the green belt status for everyone to enjoy.

