

Dear Enfield Planning department,

I strongly urge the council to remove any reference to building housing on or directly adjacent to the Green Belt from their draft Local Plan for the following reasons:

- 1) Enfield is one of London's greenest boroughs and this should be a source of pride and opportunity to encourage green investment and appropriate green activities within the Belt.
- 2) the Green belt is contributing to reducing carbon emissions and it's completely nonsensical for the council to follow a green agenda whilst at the same time building on top of carbon reducing Green land.
- 3) The pandemic and the lockdowns starkly brought to everyone's attention how important these green spaces are to us, particularly those who live in flats without private open space. People's physical and mental health was undoubtably improved by access to the spaces such as Trent Park and the public footpaths around Hadley wood and vicarage farm.
- 4) The public outpouring of disgust at these proposals is immense and I think the council will go down in history being one of the worst ever to be.
- 5) increasing the density of every area of Enfield in line with in the inner city densities, is just a ridiculous idea and a recipe for poverty, antisocial behaviour and a whole lot of costly social implications.
- 6) The council needs a mix of people that of different incomes to want to live, work and enjoy Enfield. This completely nonsensical idea of your leader that the West of Enfield should be filled with tower blocks (if it's good enough for the East...) is a crazy social experiment that will backfire. if you do build massive new settlements on the greenbelt and tower blocks on and next to the greenbelt, the higher earning, higher tax-paying residents will simply move out of Enfield and the entire borough will end up as a poor ghetto in need of government financial help.

I implore you to remove any strategies from the local plan that refer to building on or adjacent to the greenbelt and also remove any strategies regarding extreme densification of any parts of Enfield.

Yours faithfully,