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Strategic Planning and Design

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Dear Sirs

**Local Plan - Site SA45 – Land between Camlet Way and Crescent West, Hadley Wood**

I have lived in Hadley Wood for ~~20~~<sup>30</sup> years and regularly walk along the fields overlooking this land. This site forms part of a stunning landscape which goes well beyond the borough boundary. I am very saddened by the prospect of losing this valuable green belt asset for development. I also enjoy the character of the conservation area and cannot believe the Council is seeking to remove the green belt designation to allow the site to be developed into housing.

I therefore wish to strongly object to the proposed release of this green belt site and the site allocation, which would allow the development of 160 homes on green belt land for the following reasons:

The release of any green belt land in Enfield has not been justified especially SA45. The Enfield Local Plan is therefore not compliant with the NPPF:

- Only 5000 of the planned 10000 new homes on the brownfield site at Meridian Water have been assumed within the plan period.
- Other brownfield sites have not been fully reviewed and utilised.
- The availability of surplus retail and office sites resulting from changed shopping and working patterns following the Covid19 pandemic have not been adequately assessed.
- The release of this specific site has not been justified
- The site is adjacent Conservation Areas (both Hadley Wood and Monken Hadley)
- The site is of Archaeological importance (field patterns unchanged since the enclosure of Enfield Chase
- The site has the Poorest public transport access in Greater London (PTAL 0, 1a & 1b)
- No local services and infrastructure (peak time public transport access to healthcare, schools, high streets, employment, etc etc exceeds 45 minutes per TfL)

Please remove all site SA45 from the proposed allocation and fully investigate all brownfield sites in private and public ownership looking to build on the green belt.