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Dear Councillors

Response to the Draft Local Plan Reg 18 Consultation 2021

We appreciate the opportunity to respond to this vital consultation.

We are writing to object to the following policies: SP PL10, pages 80-87 and Figure 3.11; SP PL9, pages 77-80 and Concept Plan Figure 3.10; SA45 Land between Camlet Way and Crescent Way, Hadley Wood, page 364; SA 54 page 374; SA 52 page 372; SA62 page 383 and SP CL4 pages 277-279 – all of which propose redesignating from Green Belt for housing and other purposes.

Most sites feature in historic Enfield Chase. The remaining parts of Enfield Chase are unique in the South East and rare and valuable landscape assets. Loss of these would cause irreparable harm to the Green Belt and the character of the Borough. Many of these sites offer Enfield residents the chance for mental and physical rehabilitation from the daily pressures of life, and the Crews Hill area is a popular resource for residents from Enfield and further afield, with its particular characteristics.

We support the Council's ambition to fulfil Enfield's requirement for more housing, but strongly object to the destruction of Green Belt for this purpose, when other options are available. A duty of care in respect of the Green Belt is imposed on Councils in the London Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework.

We ask that the Council does everything to protect Enfield and its environs, with a local plan that is considerate of the needs of its residents, and that is cognisant of our heritage.

Yours faithfully