

Friday, 6th August, 2021.

Strategic Planning & Design,
Enfield Council,
Freepost, NW5036,
Enfield EN1 3BR.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Response to the Draft Local Plan Reg 18 Consultation 2021.

I am writing to object to the following Policies: SP PL10, pages 80-87, and Figure 3.11; Policy SP PL9, pages 77-80 and Concept Plan Figure 3.10; Policy SA45: Land between Camlet Way and Crescent Way, Hadley Wood, page 364; Policy SA54, page 374; Policy SA62 page 372; and Policy SA62 page 383 and SP CL4 pages 277-279 - all of which propose the dedesignation of Green Belt for housing and other purposes.

I feel very strongly that ALL brownfield sites should be used for housing before the Green Belt is touched. E.g. there is a site on the corner of Chase Green Avenue/Monks Close that has been derelict and awaiting development for the best part of 10 years. Development was started and then stopped. There must be many similar sites in the Borough.

The Green Belt is the "lungs of London" and should be kept as such for health of body, mind and spirit for us and future generations. Footpaths are important too in this regard.

Enfield is a great place to live with its green spaces, proximity to London and its history. Many of the sites proposed for development were part of Enfield Chase, the history of which goes back 500 years when it was used by royalty. Development would destroy our heritage.

The land at Vicarage Farm could be used for food production, bringing employment to the area. Maybe it could be used to follow in the footsteps of Forty Hill Farm and grow vines.

Whitewebbs Golf Course has been a popular facility among those learning the game and older players who do not wish or cannot afford to join a golf club. Golf is an up-and-coming sport which has been brought to the fore during the pandemic.

Horticulture is becoming a popular and thriving industry. It is important to keep the sites at Crews Hill. They could be improved to support this industry, with the retail aspect removed, and it could become a thriving centre for horticultural excellence.

As a nation, I accept and understand that we need more housing. It is a basic requirement for a civilised country that its people should live in safe and comfortable homes.

BUT every effort should be made to use ALL other sites for housing before encroaching on the GREEN BELT.

Yours faithfully,