

Epping Forest District Council Representations to the Draft Local Plan Consultation 2016 (Regulation 18)

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Method Survey

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Survey Response:

1. Do you agree with the overall vision that the Draft Plan sets out for Epping Forest District?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 1:

The Draft Local Plan will negatively affect the Green Belt, blurring definable boundaries as well as leading to the loss of some areas of it.

2. Do you agree with the overall vision that the Draft Plan sets out for Epping Forest District?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 2:

I have not read any thoroughly reasonable justification for the proposal of 360 new homes being built in Theydon Bois. Given its proximity to the Green Belt boundaries, I cannot see how this is being represented as sustainable development. The prime focus should be on towns that will thrive upon the proposed facilities and infrastructure, rather than merely allocating them across all towns within the district.

3. Do you agree with the proposals for development around Harlow?

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

I understand that we must focus on towns, however encroaching into the Green Belt area is not a worthy proposal.

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4. Do you agree with the proposed shopping area in...

Epping?

No

Buckhurst Hill?

No

Loughton Broadway?

No opinion

Chipping Ongar?

No opinion

Loughton High Road?

No

Waltham Abbey?

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

As long as local facilities are not undermined by the proposed shopping areas, then I don't see a problem as such. The proposed housing and employment sites do not correlate to the identified shopping sites, which is what I don't follow.

5. Do you agree with the proposals for new employment development?

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

These should be allocated towards larger allocated sites. Development on any Green Belt sites are going to have an extremely adverse effect.

6. Do you agree with the proposed sites in your area?

Epping (Draft Policy P 1):

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Epping:

Loughton (Draft Policy P 2)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Loughton:

Waltham Abbey (Draft Policy P 3)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Waltham Abbey:

Chipping Ongar (Draft Policy P 4)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Chipping Ongar:

Buckhurst Hill (Draft Policy P 5)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Buckhurst Hill:

North Weald Bassett (Draft Policy P 6)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

Chigwell (Draft Policy P 7)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

Theydon Bois (Draft Policy P 8)

No

Please provide reasons for your view on Theydon Bois:

The proposal of housing in Theydon Bois is disproportionate to the size of the village. Of the proposed sites, four are in the Green Belt area and would hugely suffer from the housing plans. This is the antithesis of what the local area and Epping FOREST is meant to represent. We have already seen an overwhelming increase in

traffic on the local roads (e.g. when trying to park to go to the local shops) and parking for those who commute into London. The proposals only add to this problem, rather than help resolve it.

Roydon (Draft Policy P 9)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Roydon:

Nazeing (Draft Policy P 10)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Nazeing:

Thornwood (Draft Policy P 11)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Thornwood:

Coopersale, Fyfield, High Ongar, Lower Sheering, Moreton, Sewardstonbury, Sheering, Stapleford Abbots (Draft Policy P 12)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Coopersale, Fyfield, High Ongar, Lower Sheering, Moreton, Sewardstonbury, Sheering, Stapleford Abbots:

7. Do you agree with the approach to infrastructure provision being proposed in the plan?

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

We need specific details. The proposals are hugely generalised and do not provide actual forecasts to show us what to anticipate.

8. An Interim Sustainability Appraisal has been commissioned to support the Draft Local Plan. We would welcome any comments you may have on this.

Theydon Bois tube station is already struggling to deal with daily capacity, as mentioned in Q6. The village is not to serve a widespread population, there are bigger neighbouring towns to facilitate with this. If the population is set to increase, by a noticeable proportion then there will be increased road traffic through the village. Housing numbers alone are not classed as a very special circumstance for development in the Green Belt.

9. Do you wish to comment on any other policies in the Draft Local Plan?

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