

## 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?

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 1:

**This number of additional houses will ruin the present feel of the town which has been degraded already with the larger developments.**

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

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 2:

**I can only speak for Ongar. At present the infrastructure can not cope. Traffic congestion in the town and on the surrounding A roads is severe and gets far worse when there is trouble on the M25 and A12. The doctors service at present is totally inadequate. 2 Weeks for an appointment. If any of this goes ahead the infrastructure issue must be addressed first. I question with this number of houses whether the is sufficient places in the schools.**

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

Agree

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

**Harlow has the amenities and infrastructure**

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

Epping?

No opinion

Buckhurst Hill?

No opinion

Loughton Broadway?

No opinion

Chipping Ongar?

No

Loughton High Road?

No opinion

Waltham Abbey?

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

Ongar is a small market town with too many shops closed already. More shops will cause more bankruptcies. Once people get in their cars they drive to larger shopping areas using Ongar for odds and ends only

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

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

All the people I know travel elsewhere for employment. Very few are employed in Ongar apart from service industries. I can not see the merit as an ex employer of setting up a business in a small town where transport links are pathetic.

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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**

Please provide reasons for your view on Chipping Ongar:

The increase traffic and strain on the present overwhelmed infrastructure will not be acceptable and more people, potentially 2000, which will increase the population by about 40% will destroy what most people live in Ongar for. The proposal takes green belt land some small plots and some large. To maintain a 'village' feel large developments are incompatible. It will destroy what we have. Part of the green belt land to the west of Ongar on the A414 (plot0067i) has been unused for 47 years to my knowledge and is a haven for wild life

including deer kestrels sparrow hawks and bats. The adjacent piece again was part of the Bowes House school and was a recreation area for the town and school

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 opinion**

Please provide reasons for your view on Theydon Bois:

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:

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

**No opinion**

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

Ongar can not cope now. Unless the present lack of infrastructure is addressed the general public will have no faith in the future promises. Ongar has always been a backwater of Epping Forest District Council and I for one do not anticipate any change in this direction. A direct indication is the proposal to demolish the Sports Centre and build a new one in North Weald. What a total waste of money this is and withdraw a facility from the people of Ongar.

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

I feel that a committee of residents should be involved in assisting the formation a general direction. Then at least people will feel involved by having a representative voice to forward local concerns

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