

## 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 infrastructure needs are being brushed over. It is too late to consider it in detail once plans have been approved.

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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:

It makes more sense to put the new housing where the infrastructure already exists, even if it means those areas expand. The roads around Ongar, as well as school, health, flooding etc are not fit for purpose and will not take more strain. The chief exec explained at the meeting that the aim was to preserve the quality of life for residents, this will make Ongar a nightmare. Children will have to get a school bus at 5.30 in the morning to avoid the congestion on the roads.

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

Agree

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

I think there should be more here, as the transport facilities are better, wider roads, stations etc

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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?

Yes

Loughton High Road?

No opinion

Waltham Abbey?

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

The current area could do with some regeneration, but not at the expense of the locality for the good of large corporations.

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

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

The transport infrastructure, will not support, the newish large health centre, the ongar academy, the loss of the sports centre, more houses on that site and at least two cars per household and a business park on a windy country lane ! It is dangerous enough now !

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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:

Disproportionate amount of housing for the area, particularly at the four wants end. The 'town' is already extremely congested and is getting worse. There are no formal public transport links and the condition of the roads in some parts is appalling. The infrastructure is not in place, the current primary schools in the area are over subscribed or near max, with no capacity to build on site. The health economy is already stretched to capacity. The environment agency, the day the meetings took place highlighted Crispen Brook as a problem, indeed in May of this year, Ongar became an island due to flooding, in all directions out of the town. It will be too late to consider this once the plans are passed, which I understand is the plan. Houses in Great Lawn already flood from Bowes Field. Consideration should be given to expanding areas that already have this infrastructure, Harlow, those on the central line, otherwise the quality of life will not be maintained as expressed by the council. The sports centre is an important local amenity, locals can walk to the site, if it is

relocated, unless you drive it will be out of reach, all this when the local health economy is promoting healthy living !

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?

**Strongly disagree**

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

A wait and see approach once planning is granted is not acceptable. It needs to be thoroughly thought out, costed etc and then put to residents, not through the back doors and developers let off lightly.

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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.

Has been commissioned or is available ? Unable to locate in draft plan without some pointers ! If not available don't really get the point of the question.

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

As previously stated

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