

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:

Any form of development in this area will have profound negative consequences to its community - My area being Theydon Bois, already struggles with traffic congestion on the roads. Queuing at both ends of Coppice Row - The one and only main road that links up Abridge to Epping through Theydon Bois - There is already hold ups every morning for people trying to get to work - I regularly queue in stop start traffic for an average of 20 mins to get from **...Redacted...** to the Wake Arms Roundabout and queuing all the way down to the Marriott Hotel for the M25. My wife has the same trouble at the other end trying to get over the bridge at Abridge. The road is very narrow and doesnt support the amount of traffic we currently have. We have a Tube Station which is always overcrowded in the mornings, where you very rarely get a seat. My other concerns would be the loss of a small village community. It currently has maintained a rural feel with green belt land being protected. An increased population would have more demand to services like doctors and school places. We already have problems in the village with power cuts. Increased demand for electricity, we dont have a good enough supply for everyone as it currently is. And also problems with sewerage water in certain areas. The increased numbers of occupants will only add the pressure the sewerage system is already under. New homes will require new

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:

No I don't agree with the approach to distribution of housing across EFD. I don't feel that looking at areas with very limited services, facilities and infrastructure is a good place to build more homes. Our village has a very rural feel about it, as we are surrounded by forest and fields. If you start looking to develop on this the beauty of the area will be lost indefinitely - Any Green Belt land being proposed goes against what the idea of what it was originally set up to do. We must protect our rural areas at all costs. We have a fabulous diversity of

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wildlife habitats which also need protection too. If you start building on Green Belt land it makes a mockery of what the government helped set up to do in the first place.

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

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

I feel that any proposal to build on green belt land is out of the question, even though Harlow is a much bigger town with better infrastructure, it is still not a place to be building new homes

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

Epping?

No opinion

Buckhurst Hill?

No opinion

Loughton Broadway?

No opinion

Chipping Ongar?

No opinion

Loughton High Road?

No opinion

Waltham Abbey?

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

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

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

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:

No - There are too many sites being proposed in Green belt areas -

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)

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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?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

If we dont have the infrastructure in place to meet the current demands for services, how can we presume the services will be any better/different to what the impact will be in the future. I cant see the government providing the infrastructure and services it needs for when it is required. Just too optimistic - They reality is likely to be the bare minimum of change to what we currently have. We already have a shortage of Doctors - YOU CAN'T SUDDENLY MAGIC THEM OUT OF OF A HAT

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

IF I CAN REFER YOU BACK TO MY COMMENTS IN QUESTION 1

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