

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

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### Letter or Email Response:

Dear Sir/Madam, I feel I must write in response to proposals that 1,580 houses might be built in North Weald whilst I appreciate that it is at the Consultation stage at this time. I am strongly opposed to these proposals (in particular Ref: SR0158A) for the following reasons: FLOODING is one of our major concerns having been 3' under water in our home on 10.6.1993 having been assured by EFDC with the Flood Storage Reservoir in North Weald which was built prior in 1990 that this wasn't going to happen. North Weald has a history over the centuries of flooding and was at one time called North Weald Gullet. The flood schemes have helped tremendously and on occasions of heavy rain I have checked them and seen them at their limit/to their brim when the rain has fortunately stopped allowing the water to subside. Had the rain not stopped on these occasions the Village would have been in trouble. The water comes across the forecourt at the **...Redacted...**, across my neighbours drive, across my drive and garden and spills over into the stream which is situated approximately two metres from our front door. We were told then in 1993 that any development would contribute to flood risk and would have an adverse impact on the river/stream corridor and should be resisted. Any proposed further development would reduce the effectiveness of the existing flood schemes. INFRASTRUCTURE I am also concerned for the lack of infrastructure such as Public Transport, shops, Schooling, Doctors Surgery, Bank, Dentist, Fire Station, sewage Works and Police. All these existing services are extremely stretched and under pressure. The roads are more under pressure than ever before with traffic increase since the building of Blenheim in North Weald. OUTDOOR SPACE is also under pressure with more people with dogs and their waste. We feel that Grade 2 Agricultural Land should not be considered, nor the airfield which has tremendous Historic importance. Respectfully submitted, **...Redacted...**

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