

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

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Letter or Email Response:

I write to you as a concerned resident in Roydon. I have seen the plans for housing expansion in the local area and whilst i understand and appreciate the need for new homes to be built in the UK, there are local issues which mean that the planned work is not suitable in this area. I will attempt to details these below: 1. Transport infrastructure insufficient - there is already a road issue in the village due to the level crossing, many times in a morning and evening the cars are queued back past our house on Harlow Road as the crossing is closed. This was also cited as a major reason for the expansion of the marina site being rejected. The village cannot stand more traffic. 2. Pavement infrastructure insufficient - past the school on Roydon Road the pavement runs out. More houses will mean more people walking, this is not only dangerous for pedestrians but also motorists. (and see also point 1) 3. Green Belt destruction - whilst it is noted that the plan attempts to keep a belt of green land around the village, this is a village setting in a semi rural area and the increase to Harlow North and other close areas will spoil some of the natural features which make this area special to live in 4. Private development already in place in the village - there have already been a steady increase in the number of houses built in the village. I am not sure pre-planned public expansion is needed in this area over the private development that is happening. 5. Village facilities - there is only one shop, more houses will mean this shop will not be sufficient or more journeys to other areas again increasing traffic.

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