

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

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Letter or Email Response:

I have lived in the Epping Forest district for 50 years and have seen a marked deterioration in the quality of living in the past few years. In my opinion, additional housing on the scale you are proposing will only make the situation worse. Infrastructure is already at capacity: •Local roads are very congested often resulting in long delays •The Central line is at bursting point; it is often impossible to board trains during the morning at Buckhurst Hill station due to gross overcrowding •Local medical services are at breaking point Although I live in Buckhurst Hill I passionately believe it is wrong to build on the green recreational space in Debden. There is an obesity epidemic in this country and depriving people of green spaces to exercise is not going to help. The tube car parks are busy on weekdays. Due to a lack of local jobs many local residents have no option but to travel to London for work and not everyone is within walking distance of a station. You have said that there will be underground parking, but how safe will this be when people have to work late and get in their car late evening. Also will this mean high rise flats over the car parks, which will probably be out of character with surrounding properties? All that will happen is that local roads will become even more clogged up with commuter parking.

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