

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

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Letter or Email Response:

Re: Green spaces/Development I am writing to you regarding the future plans and developments in Loughton with some concern. The main concerns I have are to do with the physical and mental well being of the children and residents in the surrounding area who use this space, it is quite worrying that the government keeps informing us of the obesity crisis with the young and old, and the effects it is having on the national health system with pollution being a big worry, this would cause asthma and breathing difficulties for the elderly. All this in the area which has the most amount of schools in a small area, the roads are in a terrible condition and here you are trying to build on every open space possible in the most populated area of Loughton!! This time last year the roads were that bad that the 167 and 20 buses were mounting the pavements to avoid the pot holes in the middle of Burney drive, and I had to repeatedly call ECC to get them to take it seriously. Another thing is the fact that ECC are not going to carry on with the buses which support the community in this area of Loughton, so how would the people commute to the stationsmore cars? Why can you not sort out the third development which should have happened at the RedRow estate which should have been built on the old college site, I have been to most of the public meetings (childcare permitting), and have not heard a good reason why it did not happen, only that the college changed their mind. And how many properties were destined to be built on this site, as no one has even mentioned this. Well I'm sorry but that does not seem good enough, as this is an ideal area within Loughton for more housing without building on the green areas. Also the development in Langston Road will be good for the locals, but why did no one think of building flats above the retail units to reduce the housing list for the local people. And if you plan to build more houses, these jobs will not even be for the locals who are in desperate need for employment Other areas which could be built on are: • the house on the corner of Ollards Grove/instead of an ex offenders hostel St Thomas More Catholic church • bungalow in Brooklyn Avenue which has been empty for at least 10 years • two houses next to each other down Alderton hill And being told that the plans for the flats above the car parks at the stations and Traps hill would not need extra car spaces as they would have the central line to use, is not very well thought out. As how do you expect these people to do their shopping and visiting relatives etc? And how are they supposed to be policed/CCTV to stop unsociable behaviour, just more of a drain on our ever decreasing police force. When the planners visited the open spaces to see if they were being used, was it during school hours or in the middle of the night? Just curious. I think that the best idea is that a new town should be built further out, also I happened to have to use Princess Alexandra Hospital today and it was a seven and a half hour wait to see a doctor! How would this improve if there are even more people in the area?

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