

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

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### Letter or Email Response:

My first question is, is this a fruitless exercise? Will the council listen to the people? From my experience once the politicians/councils have made up their minds, it doesn't matter what the people want, they will action their decisions regardless. However, I shall put my views across (I wonder to myself if this will be read to the end). I understand that the council are proposing 1190 new homes in the Loughton area. Which will mean approx. between 3000 - 4000 additional residents. You would think this would be good for the local economy, but "no" where will we park to visit the shops, after all the car park in Traps Hill will no longer exist! Another question? A majority of these additional residents will want to use the underground - oh no another problem - where will they park? - there will be new housing at both Loughton and Debden underground car parks. I feel for the local residents. A lot of these new families will have children, who would like to play in the local parks - OH NO! there will be no parks, as Jessel Drive will be all housing. This is a great shame. Jessel Drive Green, is such a benefit to the local area. Children Play, people walk their dogs. Those without gardens can relax and enjoy the summer sunshine and the local pub hosts a community fun day. Would it not have been more sensible to build a housing estate on the land currently being developed into a retail park, which will impact on local businesses and traffic. Oh, and not forgetting the reduction of the 167-bus service, which once again was decided upon regardless of the local objections, which questions, are the people's views listened to? Or is it a case of going through the legalities when a change is being implemented which will impact significantly on the resident's lives, and going ahead with the council ideas regardless. In conclusion: it will be a horrendous loss to the area to lose Jessel Green, and also the car parks at Trapps Hill, Loughton and Debden underground stations. Not forgetting the great effect, it will have, no open spaces, not only for our children to play, but for residents to enjoy. Finally, will there be any more Schools and Dry services? I think not, or will we have a more accessible hospital for all these additional residents to the area. Roads will become more congested, commuters can't park -reduced bus services, no open green spaces to enjoy. It all impacts on making people's lives miserable. One final question, have you read to all of my letter? Or have you just dismissed another resident's views?

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