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Part A

Making representation as Resident or Member of the General Public

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Part B

REPRESENTATION

To which part of the Pre Submission Epping Forest District Local Plan does this representation relate?

Paragraph: All

Policy: P 1 Epping

Policies Map: Yes

Site Reference: EPP.R11

Settlement:

Do you consider this part of the Pre Submission Local Plan to be:

Legally compliant: Don't Know

Sound: Don't Know

If no, then which of the soundness test(s) does it fail?

Complies with the duty to co-operate? No

Please give details either of why you consider the Submission Version of the Local Plan is not legally compliant, is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate; or of why the Submission Version of the Local Plan is legally compliant, is sound or complies with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. Please use this box to set out your comments.

My objection to the plans is two fold. One is as someone who loves Epping, and moved here because of its character, green space etc. I worry about what will happen to the nicest town for miles around. However I do appreciate that progress is necessary and society needs more homes.

However, my second objection is more practical. From my understanding of the plan, it seems that Epping is going to gain, more homes, more people, more cars and yet will be losing key community amenities such as the library, the childrens centre, the station car park, the sports centre which are the fabric of the lovely community in which we live. Not only will it make Epping not such a nice place to live, I genuinely believe it will cripple the place.

Amenities are already stretched here. Young people have nothing to do in Epping and anti social behaviour is becoming an increasing problem. I live near the lovely stonards hill recreation ground and sadly we're seeing more litter and unsociable behaviour. This will get significantly worse with all these new homes and no new infrastructure.

We're lucky enough to have our daughter to go to school. I also hear there are plans to close the school and build a big new school in South Epping. Ivy is by far the best school in Epping. We should be using that as an example, not closing it and starting from scratch.

Traffic - how can we possibly cope with 15k more cars? Removing parking will be the death of our wonderful high street.

And what about St John's old site. Why does this not feature in plans. Why is the library coming down when there is a site that has been empty for years. Although obviously it is a beautiful site and should be preserved but used for the benefit of the community

There are plenty of towns outside of Epping which are smaller and have capacity to gain some more houses and some new infrastructure with it, like north Weald, Epping green, Theydon bois for example. Please scale back these plans in Epping and share the load with the surrounding areas so that the plan can be more beneficial to all

Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Pre Submission Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified in the question above (Positively prepared/Justified/ Effective/ Consistent with National Policy) where this relates to soundness.

You will need to say why this change will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

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In Epping if this many more houses must come then additional facilities and infrastructure will come with it

If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

Yes, I wish to participate at the oral part of the oral examination

If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

To explain the point of view of a local resident

Please let us know if you wish to be notified when the Epping Forest District Local Plan is submitted for independent examination

Yes

Signature: Rebecca O'Mahoney Date: 29/01/2018