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**Duty of Cooperation:**

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The Local Plan needs to provide clarity to the general public on how concerns will be addressed. At present the plan gives no detail as to how these additional minimum 100 houses will be developed on the Limes Estate nor how additional infrastructure will be provided to support the existing and future needs of local residents.

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

No, I do not wish to participate at oral examination

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

Yes

Signature: [Redacted]

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Stakeholder Reference:

Document Reference:

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**Part A**

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**Making representation as Resident or Member of the General Public**

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**Part B**

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**REPRESENTATION**

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

Paragraph:

Policy: P 7 Chigwell

Policies Map: Yes

Site Reference: CHIG.R6

Settlement: Chigwell

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

Legally compliant: No

Sound: No

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

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.**

### Soundness of the Local Plan:

Such a development would require the ability to provide sustainable infrastructure not only for the existing Chigwell population but also for any new residents. We question how the plan will accommodate for:

- 1) The significant increase in the number of pupils at the local infant and junior school, already expected to reach full capacity in the next couple of years, without even considering the proposed expansion in the number of households in the vicinity.
- 2) Access links: the Limes Estate only has a single road in and out of the area, which is already an area of concern for local residents. As a result, there is already congestion at rush hour and the development of additional housing would just put additional stress on access.
- 3) Healthcare at local GPs, NHS dentists and pharmacies. The eradication of open space on the estate would also prevent important access to the area for the air ambulance services, which have been required at least twice in the last six months.
- 4) Parking where special measures are already being put in place for current traffic levels and congestion.
- 5) Community Hall, Social and Leisure Amenities: Currently there are little to no facilities for the existing population, how is this expected to be addressed for a growing population?
- 6) Local Policing: there are no manned police stations in the immediate neighbourhood.
- 7) Water drainage and potential flooding.

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