Borders Lane LOU.R4 /LOU.R9

Green space.

Green space provisions for residents in the developments is insufficient. The data shown does not include accessibility to the green spaces and this is hindered by a railway line and busy roads.

Within the Alderton ward there is one swing serving the whole of the ward in the middle of the housing estate in Oakwood Hill. Access to the Roding Valley Nature reserve is restricted by being only accessible through an alleyway under the railway line which is a high crime spot and there is not a sufficient safe crossing for the main road.

So, whilst on a map it may look like the area has green space nearby it is not accessible to most people in the ward and neither to anyone with disabilities. Neither can Epping Forest be classed as green space provision as it is not accessible to all because of access issues.

Borders lane field has always been used by residents as a green space to walk and until the current land owners stopped maintaining the land was the only place for games like football.

There are no green spaces where ball games are allowed.

Side letters from previous developments have not been honoured when the sports centre was developed, and no replacement local sport facilities have been provided as agreed.

Traffic

This specific area and one road has seen multiple large developments over the last decade. Traffic has increased significantly, and the road is at its maximum capacity now. The recent development at the end of the road at Debden Broadway has significantly increased car waiting times where there has never been any issue before.

No recent traffic surveys have been carried out to measure the impact of the recent developments.

Epping Forest is a protected site of special scientific interest.

With further development into Loughton in General there is no ability to expand the main routes in and out of the town because of the main three roads being restricted by the forest. More developments put the pressure onto forest roads increasing pollution and damage to the forest and its wildlife.

Currently public transport is being cut and so cars are the only form of transport. The proper links between the towns as stated in the local plan has recently been cut due to funding.

Community visioning

The whole process of this local plan has been badly publicised. In 2011 the efforts to engage with the communities reached a poor 1.1% of the populous and nothing was done to re address this.

Population figures and demand forecasts are well out of date and have not been re visited