

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

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Method Survey

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Survey Response:

1. Do you agree with the overall vision that the Draft Plan sets out for Epping Forest District?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 1:

The contents of the Draft Local Plan does not safeguard the current boundaries of the Green Belt.

2. Do you agree with the overall vision that the Draft Plan sets out for Epping Forest District?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 2:

There is no supporting infrastructure in Theydon Bois. The new housing should be concentrated on areas with existing schools, hospitals, police stations and fire services which can be expanded upon.

3. Do you agree with the proposals for development around Harlow?

Agree

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

There is current infrastructure in place but it must not be expanded into Green Belt areas.

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4. Do you agree with the proposed shopping area in...

Epping?

Yes

Buckhurst Hill?

No opinion

Loughton Broadway?

No opinion

Chipping Ongar?

No opinion

Loughton High Road?

No opinion

Waltham Abbey?

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

5. Do you agree with the proposals for new employment development?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

Employment development should focus on the bigger allocated areas with existing infrastructure and good road access and not in the Green Belt.

6. Do you agree with the proposed sites in your area?

Epping (Draft Policy P 1):

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Epping:

Loughton (Draft Policy P 2)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Loughton:

Waltham Abbey (Draft Policy P 3)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Waltham Abbey:

Chipping Ongar (Draft Policy P 4)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Chipping Ongar:

Buckhurst Hill (Draft Policy P 5)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Buckhurst Hill:

North Weald Bassett (Draft Policy P 6)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

Chigwell (Draft Policy P 7)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

Theydon Bois (Draft Policy P 8)

No

Please provide reasons for your view on Theydon Bois:

Some of the sites are in the Green Belt and it is essential that the existing Green Belt boundary is kept intact. The proposals will dramatically increase the size of the village and there is insufficient infrastructure in place

as it is with poor bus services, an overcrowded primary school, oversubscribed doctors surgery, no police patrols, regular power cuts and areas susceptible to flooding.

Roydon (Draft Policy P 9)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Roydon:

Nazeing (Draft Policy P 10)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Nazeing:

Thornwood (Draft Policy P 11)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Thornwood:

Coopersale, Fyfield, High Ongar, Lower Sheering, Moreton, Sewardstonbury, Sheering, Stapleford Abbots (Draft Policy P 12)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Coopersale, Fyfield, High Ongar, Lower Sheering, Moreton, Sewardstonbury, Sheering, Stapleford Abbots:

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7. Do you agree with the approach to infrastructure provision being proposed in the plan?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

The proposals are too vague and there is no guarantee the provisions will be met after the houses are built.

8. An Interim Sustainability Appraisal has been commissioned to support the Draft Local Plan. We would welcome any comments you may have on this.

In Theydon Bois the Underground trains are already overcrowded at peak times and there is insufficient parking at the station from commuters who drive in from further away. This already causes problems with inconsiderate parking on the Abridge Road. The bus service through the village is currently insufficient. There is often congestion around the zebra crossing and a dangerous junction where shoppers exit from Tesco car park. Increased traffic will exacerbate the problem and potentially cause more accidents. There are insufficient shops in the Village to support such a large number of proposed houses and the new residents will have to drive to larger shopping areas to meet their needs, further impacting on local roads and the environment. There is no case to justify housing in the Green Belt in Theydon Bois.

9. Do you wish to comment on any other policies in the Draft Local Plan?

The Draft Local Plan is too vague and lacks detail. This particularly applies to issues regarding Green Belt Land. Village Design Statements should be taken into account in villages where they have been undertaken

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with input from their local people. There is a lack of policy proposals for parking provision in the Draft Local Plan.
