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

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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 vision includes "protecting Epping Forest District's Green Belt and environment...." Having read it, it clearly fails to do this and will involve sacrifcing a considerable area of local greenbelt land, at the expense of the character of many small towns and villages**

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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:

   **360 additional houses in Theydon Bois would add approimately 25% to the population. This is ludicrous and clearly fails to represent a fair distribution of new housing. The facilities and infrastructure barely support the existing population (many children have to be driven to schools in other towns and villages.... the tube is very busy already.... there is very limited parking in the village.... we already have regular electricity blackouts.... there are very limited leisure facilities.... many residents have to travel to neighbouring towns and villages to see a doctor / dentist.... the roads already get very busy during peak times such as school runs....)**

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

**No opinion**

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

**Harlow is a significantly larger town with much better facilities and infrastructure but again, developing greenbelt land should be avoided where possible to protect the character of the towns and villages**

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

Epping?

**No opinion**

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:

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

**Strongly disagree**

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

**Employment development should be directed towards the larger sites close to / within the towns of the district that are looking to expand. The EFDC plans for employment development on green belt sites are not sustainable and will impact the local infrastructure and transport links**

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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:

**Firstly they involve significant development on green belt land. Theydon Bois is a charming, rural village, the character of which would be significantly, adversely affected by such development. The present infrastructure and facilities simply cannot support a c. 25% population increase (lack of schools, lack of doctors and dentists, lack of road facilities, insufficient parking, insufficient underground train capacity, few shops, frequent energy black outs even at current provision levels....)**

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:

**There is very limited detail on this in the plan**

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

**this does not support the wide dispersal of development in / near the small vllages in the distruct.People will have to travel further for schools / doctors / shops / dentists adding further road / rail congestion**

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

**the character of the local villages must be enhanced or at worst maintained. I'm not confident that these plans will successsfully do this**

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