



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

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Letter or Email Response:

Hi My name is Julie Bickford and I reside at ...Redacted... Regarding the draft Local Plan, I have the following comments/concerns: •areas for recreation, particularly our parks, are essential for the physical well being of the residents; travelling considerable distances for Green Belt sites is simply not practical •what about prioritising development on Brownfield sites; past governments have been very clear that when planning for new buildings, protecting our precious green belt is paramount •Loughton, and its surrounding areas, has a unique character, and although I welcome development, there has to be limits; I'd much rather have modern, lower level buildings, than having towering apartment/office blocks not in keeping with the surrounding buildings •will the closure of station car parks not increase the congestion already suffered by residents close to transport links; what about the parking zones review that has been continually postponed •Parking in Loughton is particularly difficult; closure of the biggest car park (Loughton Library) will simply exacerbate the issue, and indeed, could affect local trade, as is the case with the "beautification" of Debden Broadway where it is nigh on impossible to "stop and shop" •local services will become overly stretched; schools and GP access are of particular concern •encouraging people to use public transport whilst removing existing bus routes is simply folly; not only will you not be able to drive and park at the stations, but there will be no public transport alternative I think a decision can not possibly be made without a detailed Infrastructure Delivery Plan in place, rather than a piecemeal arrangement as development progresses. Best regards Julie

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