

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

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Letter or Email Response:

1 - No to urban intensification of our town - an out of town garden village is a more attractive alternative for Loughton which has become much too crowded with all roads & services under pressure. 2 - No to building on Loughton's public urban open space - the green spaces are our parks, and these are needed for our recreation, and to protect the physical and mental health of large numbers of residents and visitors from outside of town. 3 - Not enough infrastructure delivery - the District Council does not control these critical aspects and has no power to increase the capacity of roads, schools or doctors to cope with the proposed new homes. Our elderly residents cannot get appointments with the GP and in some cases have not been assigned to a named Doctor. 4 - Central Line has no more capacity - it has been a very overcrowded service at times when people must use it and we have few alternatives. Our town has a lot of commuters and to add more will increase travelling stress, and degrade residents health & quality of life. 5 - Loughton's green spaces should not be in the Local Plan - they are needed more than rural Green Belt miles from residents. Residents and other visitors love to walk in our area. The Council values revenue from land it owns more than the wellbeing of 32,000 Loughton residents. 6 - Car Parks & flats on top - more parking and flats are welcome if only two storeys, any higher would destroy the open aspect of each site. Residents fear the Council and developers will be too greedy and want to impose 3 to 4 storeys as has happened in some cases. 7 - No High Buildings - We love and value the open aspect and leafy character of this town. A major reason for Loughton's appeal is because about 98% of all existing homes are no higher than two 2 storeys. 8 - Loughton's Urban Open Spaces need future protection - Loughton Town Council submitted the evidence for Village Green registration years ago. The District & County Council have not granted yet so please tell me why not?

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