

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

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Letter or Email Response:

I am writing to express my very real concern over certain aspects of the draft Local Plan 1) Potential development on the various open spaces, notably Jessel Green in Deb den will lead to overcrowding and housing of a much greater density than presently exists. These spaces provide much needed areas for recreation, dog walking and local sporting event vital for the well-being of residents. 2) Building on the station car parks, and the one in Traps Hill, is a recipe for total d disaster since the Central Line at present cannot cope with the number of passengers using it. Parking in the district is a nightmare now - where are all the cars going to park without the addition of so many more. 3) Any encroachment on to Green Belt land should be resisted at all costs, especially land that presently prevents urban sprawl. 4) All available brownfield sites must be developed first. A great op port unity was lost when a new retail park was sanctioned in Langstone road. This should have been earmarked for residential development. 5) There is currently insufficient infrastructure to support additional residents. Schools are already at capacity and local G.P.surgeriesfully utilised. History tells us that promised infrastructure inevitably arrives long after it is needed. Most of the district is rural and what little space within the existing towns and villages not already developed must be jealously guarded. I acknowledge that Central Government has directed local councils to d raw up plans to cater for projected housing needs .I wonder if these numbers have been sufficiently questioned. From conversations with friends and neighbour.; it is abundantly clear that there is alarm at what is being proposed for Laugh ton and neighbouring boroughs. In m y opinion this d raft is seriously flawed and should be fundamentally revised.

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