

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

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### Letter or Email Response:

You say that the plans are to provide infrastructure, meet the identified needs of the district and to ensure the provision of local centres, community and educational facilities and yet your draft plans suggest the removal of Epping Sports Ground and Epping Sports and Leisure Centre. Re Epping Sports Ground. Epping Tennis Club has spent many years building up a thriving young people's section where the children go in the evenings, weekends and school holidays. This is important for mind and body and the children often walk or cycle there with their parents which they would not be able to do if the facility is moved to another town. Epping Bowls Club caters for the other end of the scale with many members being in their eighties and nineties. Epping Cricket Club caters for all ages. Apart from that there are already significant problems in Lower Bury Lane and Bury Road caused by the school traffic particularly at start and end of day when cars are parked in inappropriate places or just hover by the corner of Bury Road. These roads are already dangerous to pedestrians and it is impossible to imagine how they can cope with more dwellings. Bury Lane also has huge problems as there are no pavements for almost all its length. I have delivered papers there and it is quite frightening. Since the closure of the junction between Bury Road and Lower Bury Lane it has become difficult for residents of those two roads to get into the High Road and more cars on those two roads is inconceivable. Surely communities, particularly those the size of Epping, deserve and are entitled to activity centres. We have nothing else to offer our residents both young and old. ....Redacted.... Epping Town has taken such a big hit and some towns are almost unaffected. Appropriate ....Redacted.... but not necessarily for the residents. Shameful!

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