

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

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Letter or Email Response:

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Dear Sir/Madam, I am writing in response to your leaflet showing potential sites for redevelopment to build homes across Loughton. Firstly why is it only the suburb of Debden where proposed homes are taking place with the exception of Traps Hill Leisure centre car park and Loughton Station. If the Traps Hill car park is made into housing then for sure the leisure centre will be forced to close, as people using the gym all use their cars. Dont EPDC think we have enough empty shops in the High Road as it is. Is it because EPDC are greedy and the rates are too high. To make our town more attractive we need proper shops not just, coffee bars, charity shops etc. What about Loughton open spaces, are they not going to be considered for building homes?? Is it because Debden is the poorer part of the town? EPDC in their wisdom made the pavements in the Broadway wider, so more market traders would use it. It is still the same number of stalls which were there 10 years ago. What a total waste of money, cars park on the pavement, no traffic wardens about, what would have been better was to put bollards along the pavement so no cars could mount it to park. I was also informed when speaking to a member of LRA that both Debden and Loughton Station car parks are owned by TFL and not EPDC, if this is the case then this should have been flagged up in your leaflet. It is very disturbing and unfair that Rochford Green and Jessel Green have homes built on them when they are so widely used by children, dog walkers, walkers etc. In fact a new playground was built on Rochford Green two years ago, so once again EPDC have wasted our money. In fact, about 3 years ago these two greens were being considered to be called village greens and protected, is this still ongoing and up for consideration, was this not taken into account by EPDC. Now we know why this decision by EPDC has taken so long. The greens are part of Debden, and to lose these two for housing is unfair and unjust. I do agree however that the old Epping Forest College site should be used for housing, as it looks a eyesore and as The Golden Lion is being developed for housing it will blend in nicely with it. EPDC made a huge mistake with demolishing the Sir Winston Churchill pub please dont make any more. How will schools, doctors, public transport etc. cope with all these additional homes. EPDC in their wisdom have agreed to have Langston Road turned into a retail park at considerable cost, firstly there is no public transport i.e. buses that go there, and it is a considerable walk for Senior Citizens, (like myself) mothers with children to name but a few. Not everyone drives. It will not be well used, because most people will still go to Westfield in Stratford and/or Lakeside. This space would have been put to much better use to build housing on. As a homeowner and council tax payer I would urge EPDC to reconsider this draft local plan, because personally I do not think that much thought and the consequences it will have on the local people within the suburb on Debden has gone into it. I know

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that some of my points raised in this email are not part of the draft plan but I feel that it should be brought to the attention of EPDC. I would be grateful for a acknowledgement to this email. Redacted

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