

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

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Letter or Email Response:

Dear Sirs My response is by letter rather than questionnaire as it better reflects my views. There are major issues with flooding on the roads in and around Ongar including the A414 and some homes currently suffer because of poor drainage. Building 3 large estates will make the problems far worse. Natural drainage will be concreted over and the potential damage as a result will create havoc. There is nothing in the plan to counter act the damage that will result. The plan fails to take into account that the demand for housing in Ongar is not the same as Chigwell or Loughton because we do not have the infrastructure and transport network. The percentage of homes allocated is far too high for Ongar and North Weald. If the plan proceeds the character of Ongar will change forever. The size and scale of the 3 major developments should be scaled down immediately or cancelled. We have no reliable means of transport apart from the road network which is liable to flood. The new residents will cause congestion, pollution and increase the amount of stress currently suffered by Ongar motorists due to bad traffic management systems. Our schools and medical centre are full and the leisure centre provides additional facilities for ALL the local schools. Taking the Leisure Centre away is a wrong decision. This is as bad a choice as building on TFL station car parks which are generally full by 7am hence causing more misery for commuters. Land may be offered for development but if the development is wrong and causes more harm than good it should be rejected.

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