

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

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Letter or Email Response:

Dear Sir or Madam, Re: Draft Local Plan As part of the National Curriculum, children at this school learn about the world we live in and the importance of keeping healthy. Our curriculum includes the opportunity to study local history and to discover how Loughton has changed over time. Combined with traffic surveys and visits to places of interest, including Epping Forest, the High Road and Roding Valley Nature Reserve, the children begin to develop a broader understanding of their local environment and an appreciation of life in modern Britain. Therefore it was with interest that a local child minder contacted us about the draft Local Plan and proposed development of housing in the locality and on recreational green spaces. The proposal seems to have the potential to significantly change Loughton, putting increased pressure on traffic, parking, tube and bus services and local amenities. For the children it was the proposed loss of green space that prompted most discussion and spurred them into action. One hundred children, aged five and six, put pencil to paper to express their views about why our local green spaces are so important to them. These are young voices but they should be heard. They enjoy school and they care deeply about their environment. I trust Epping Forest District Council will read and reflect long and hard on the views enclosed. Yours faithfully,Redacted.... *Attachments apart of PDF*

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