

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

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Letter or Email Response:

Dear Sirs, I am writing regarding your plans for the development of Loughton. In the twenty years that I have lived here, Loughton has grown much busier and more congested. As a result of this, I believe that your plans to build 1,200 further homes will lead to a deterioration in the quality of life for people living here. • Schools have been extended, but are struggling to cope with the increase in the number of pupils • The Central Line is already recognised as being over-crowded and at peak capacity • It is already difficult for commuters to find parking at Loughton and Debden Train station car parks and building flats on these sites without additional parking arrangements is unrealistic and unnecessary • Loughton has existing traffic problems and commuters tend to park their cars on all roads leading to the Loughton station already causing a problem for the existing residents • The proposed loss of well-used recreational space will have an effect on the well-being of the population, as well as the beauty of the area • In common with many areas Loughton has too few General Practitioners, an issue that will be exacerbated by the building of additional homes • Reducing parking spaces will cause further pain for local traders, who were highlighted in the Daily Mail this week as being almost reduced to a services-only economy For all of the reasons above I oppose the plans as currently presented. Yours faithfully, Neil Walker

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