

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 I am writing concerning the above development proposals currently being considered. I would like to object to these proposals in the strongest terms possible. The history of this area clearly shows a leaning and direction towards the gradual removal of the surrounding green areas, and general move to a more urbanised and developed town. My Secondary school Fairmead was closed down and, together with the schools playing field these areas were then developed into two housing estates. I was transferred to Lucton Boys School to conclude my education, and now that school, along with its former extensive playing fields has been demolished and another housing estate has taken its place. There are now so many properties, and so densely structured on this estate it would now be easier to navigate around the Hampton Court Maze. The loss of so many school places, together with an increase in family homes, resulted in the building of a new school, Debden Park being built on former Green belt land. The schools in this area are overflowing at present, without increasing this burden with more places. The roads in and around Loughton and Debden are never free of traffic as it is. Rectory lane, The Broadway, and the adjoining roads are now busy through out the week and weekends. Just attempting to drive from one part of town to another resembles a scene from Mission Impossible. More housing will lead to even more cars, a greater increase in traffic and poor air pollution. Is it the intention of this Council to eventually turn Loughton into an extension of East London? Areas within London, as well as other Cities, are plagued with problems resulting from lack of green space and adequate breathing room. If anything, we require even more open space, not less, and more green parks, so that children can benefit from a better and healthier lifestyle that those simple pleasures present. In conclusion, I strongly urge you not to undertake any development on these two Green areas, which every day after school, and each weekend, children and families use and enjoy. It is also well worth noting, that twice this month alone, the Emergency Air Ambulance has utilised Jessel Green in order to land and attend to emergency situations close by. Yours Faithfully, Mr M. Wright.

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