

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

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### Letter or Email Response:

With regard the draft local plan that has been in circulation, there are a number of points of response that I feel must be taken into consideration. I have been a resident in Loughton for ...REDACTED... years, and additionally, lived in the Buckhurst Hill/Woodford area all of my life ...REDACTED... As a result I am very passionate about our area. The key points of issue are as follows: 1 - No urban intensification of our town please - an out of town garden village is a better alternative for Loughton which is already becoming much too crowded with all roads and services under stress now. Any further major development would be a big concern to the impact of Loughton 2 - No building on Loughton's public urban open space please - the green spaces are our parks, badly needed for recreation, the physical and mental health of large numbers of residents. 3 - Not enough infrastructure delivery - the District Council does not control these critical aspects and has no power to increase the capacity of roads, schools or doctors to cope with the proposed new homes. All are already under stress! 4 - Central Line has no more capacity - for years a very overcrowded service at times when people must use it. This town has a lot of commuters - to add more will worsen travelling stress, degrade residents health & quality of life. As a user of the line, it appears pretty much at full capacity now, especially at the critical 'rush hour' times. 5 - Loughton's green spaces should not be in the Local Plan - they are needed more than rural Green Belt miles from residents. The Council values revenue from land it owns more than the wellbeing of 32,000 Loughton residents. 6 - Car Parks & flats on top - more parking and flats are welcome (and already needed) if only two storeys, any higher would destroy the open aspect of each site. I believe that residents fear the Council and developers will be too greedy and want to impose 3 to 4 storeys. 7 - No High Buildings please - ask any resident how much they value the open aspect and leafy character of this town. A major reason for Loughton's appeal is because about 98% of all existing homes are no higher than two 2 storeys. 8 - Loughton's Urban Open Spaces need future protection - Loughton Town Council submitted the evidence for Village Green registration years ago. The District & County Council have not yet granted this. It would be very useful to understand why not? Please acknowledge receipt of this e-mail and advise also on the process moving forward to take into account the responses received regarding the draft Loughton plan.

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