

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

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Method Survey

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Survey Response:

1. Do you agree with the overall vision that the Draft Plan sets out for Epping Forest District?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 1:

It would appear that North Weald is one of the areas being asked to take the majority of new builds, this is unfair and the amount of new properties if being imposed on the district should be shared out more evenly.

2. Do you agree with the overall vision that the Draft Plan sets out for Epping Forest District?

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 2:

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3. Do you agree with the proposals for development around Harlow?

Agree

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

This would a reasonable solution but it is unlikely that the infrastructure as is will be able to cope and also unlikely this will improved before building starts.

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4. Do you agree with the proposed shopping area in...

Epping?

No

Buckhurst Hill?

No opinion

Loughton Broadway?

No opinion

Chipping Ongar?

Yes

Loughton High Road?

No opinion

Waltham Abbey?

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

Ongar would appear to need an upgrade in shops but again infrastructure would need to be improved first as for Epping it is already heavily congested and again a huge improvement in roads and parking would have to be undertaken first.

5. Do you agree with the proposals for new employment development?

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

As the plan has not made clear the uses to be proposed on North Weald Airfield I have to disagree . Had this be clearly laid out my opinion may have been different .

6. Do you agree with the proposed sites in your area?

Epping (Draft Policy P 1):

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Epping:

Loughton (Draft Policy P 2)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Loughton:

Waltham Abbey (Draft Policy P 3)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Waltham Abbey:

Chipping Ongar (Draft Policy P 4)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Chipping Ongar:

Buckhurst Hill (Draft Policy P 5)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Buckhurst Hill:

North Weald Bassett (Draft Policy P 6)

No

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

**As North Weald already has a known flooding issue , the sites identified would appear to add to this risk .
Again the infrastructure in it's present state will be unable to cope as well.**

Chigwell (Draft Policy P 7)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

Theydon Bois (Draft Policy P 8)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Theydon Bois:

Roydon (Draft Policy P 9)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Roydon:

Nazeing (Draft Policy P 10)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Nazeing:

Thornwood (Draft Policy P 11)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Thornwood:

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Coopersale, Fyfield, High Ongar, Lower Sheering, Moreton, Sewardstonbury, Sheering, Stapleford Abbots (Draft Policy P 12)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on Coopersale, Fyfield, High Ongar, Lower Sheering, Moreton, Sewardstonbury, Sheering, Stapleford Abbots:

...Redacted...

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7. Do you agree with the approach to infrastructure provision being proposed in the plan?

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

The current infrastructure is already overloaded and even small increases in housing and industrial builds would aggravate the current problems. It would also appear that the cost to upgrade the system is not guaranteed to be passed onto the building developers .

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8. An Interim Sustainability Appraisal has been commissioned to support the Draft Local Plan. We would welcome any comments you may have on this.

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9. Do you wish to comment on any other policies in the Draft Local Plan?

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I feel Green Belt Land should not be used for building purposes as this is the exact opposite to which it is intended. The area in North Weald identified to be removed from Green Belt limitations is also agricultural land of a high grade and land available for food production is already becoming limited in this country. Also this land in North Weald is visibly higher then that which many of the existing houses already stand on and this would add to the flood risks and would likely then need for investment for a flood alleviation scheme .