

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

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### Letter or Email Response:

Dear Sirs With reference to the new homes proposed to be built in North Weald, I would like to submit my thoughts on this.

- The impact to the village itself is over a 70% increase in size to the North of the village. Access from the village is by way of a small unsuitable road, Church Lane.
- Epping Forest cannot be modified to give access to North Weald - for every 400m2 that is removed it has to be replaced - that's if you ever get permission to dig up protected forest.
- We have been waiting over 3 years for a Highways repair as they are too busy - envisage the increase in issues with and extra 70% of people.
- Drainage and Flooding has recently been an issue in North Weald - drains are not up to current infrastructure with blockages always being unblocked causing traffic chaos for days and weeks with temporary traffic lights through village.
- With regards to Infrastructure - how do Epping Forest District deal with North Weald Tube station - getting into Epping is tiresome and the Paln is already recognised as a pinch point of traffic trouble.
- Current bus service is dangerous - look at the accident rate for 2015/16 for trusty busses.
- Would it not be suitable to reopen the station and build a car park in Station road to manage users of the facility from Ongar and North Weald?
- North Weald doesn't have the facilities of a small town and these haven't been expanded on, nor doctors surgery or post office.
- North weald also has a Parish Council - by expanding the village you would not only create a town but we would require a Town Council. Please consider these when drafting the local Plan

Regards Matt Harris

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