



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

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Letter or Email Response:

Suggested Housing Allocation: Land East of Duck Lane, Thornwood This representation is made on behalf of ...redacted... The land hatched in red on the attached plan has an area of about 0.64ha and lies on the eastern side of Duck Lane, Thornwood. My clients note that the Council's Local Plan strategy is to deliver a minimum of 11,400 homes in the period 2011-2033 and that a large proportion of the sites allocated for housing development will be in the Green Belt on the edge of existing settlements. They also note that the Council wishes Thornwood to become more selfsustaining in the future with improved provision of services, transport infrastructure and amenities to cater for the existing and future community. This site was judged both suitable for development and deliverable as part of the 2012 Strategic Land Availability Assessment. The site has existing development on two sides and is bounded by Woodside on a third. It is therefore well-retailed to the existing village. Although a small part of the site is in Flood Zone 2, my clients own adjoining land to the east which could provide compensatory flood plain. New housing on the site would support existing village services, encourage the provision of new local services and generate a proportion of affordable housing for local people. The site occupies a sustainable development location being no more than 350m from High Road bus services and then only 3.5kms from Harlow and 2km from Epping, with access to tube and rail lines and town centre shops services and facilities. The income from the development would help my clients fund the repair and maintenance of ...redacted... , which is in desperate need of attention. My clients own further land in the vicinity which could create a larger housing site and additional space for landscaping and other facilities, if considered appropriate.

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