

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

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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:

If Theydon Bois is to remain a village another 360 homes is out of the question. Where does it stop? Homes being built on The Green, in the Forest?? If this building work goes ahead, it's goodbye to our lovely village.

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:

New homes are needed understandably but focus on areas where it would be beneficial, not areas where we are already bursting at the seams, ie. Theydon, Loughton, Epping.

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

No opinion

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

I am not familiar with Harlow particularly and although it is a large town there must be similar problems with resources. If there is space to build and also provision can be made to provide adequate services for families and no encroachment on Green Belt land is made, it could be a possibility. As I am not a resident I do not know the area well enough to comment properly.

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

Epping?

No

Buckhurst Hill?

No opinion

Loughton Broadway?

No

Chipping Ongar?

No

Loughton High Road?

No

Waltham Abbey?

No

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

Large shopping areas can be found at Westfield, Stratford, Lakeside, Bluewater, Romford even Harlow if you are pushed. Local high street shops will eventually be pushed out and there will be nothing individual anymore. It is a pleasure to walk down Epping and Loughton High Street (if you can get parked) and it would be a great shame to lose them if we create new shopping areas locally.

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

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

Absolutely not, this will have a knock on effect on the tube, buses, local job prospects. This should be kept to larger areas where there is room to encourage growth.

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 opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

Chigwell (Draft Policy P 7)

No opinion

Please provide reasons for your view on North Weald Bassett:

Theydon Bois (Draft Policy P 8)

No

Please provide reasons for your view on Theydon Bois:

Theydon Bois has always been unique which is why we wanted to live here. A village which embraces the community through a lot of hard work by villagers to make this a superb place to live, from the older generation to young children. The opportunities to be part of a community spirit for all ages is immense and credit goes to a lot of hardworking villagers. So do we want to lose this love of community that we have as a village, I don't think so. We are bursting at the seams, never able to get a doctor's appointment, even in Epping. A visit to the doctors in November and I was told I could have an appointment in January, laughable! We have been issued with a letter from the Water Board, to say we are going to have to go on a water meter. Every resource is going to be squeezed to the detriment of Theydon Bois, doctors, dentists, the school, secondary schools in the area, buses, the station, tennis club, restaurants, shops, everything. The tube which costs commuters thousands of pounds living in Zone 6 and there is a real danger soon we won't be able to get a seat from Theydon Bois. Parking around the village is already a nightmare especially at the shops, there's no quick popping down the road for a pint of milk, forget it. And they want to increase the village by how many houses, it's incredible. We drive to Devon/Cornwall regularly, there are empty fields upon field on route. The farmers have empty fields, surely new settlements could be built with schools, shops, doctors, dentists, don't ruin Theydon Bois by building on Green Belt land. Many residents work in London and I know when I have spent the day in London the sheer relief of stepping off the tube and seeing the beautiful village where I live,

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I'm extremely lucky. Please don't take away our rural surroundings because of greedy landowners. We are proud to have been Village of the Year, living in a rural setting near Epping Forest and enjoying the fields at the end of Forest Drive. Don't take this away from us and our future generation.

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:

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:

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

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

This is not specific enough.

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

We are already at capacity with commuters from other areas parking all round the village. We paid the price for the privilege to live here and have the tube line readily available to us. The station is already overcrowded and trying to drop someone at the station in the morning and then get back on to the main Coppice Row is impossible with the congestion. The station does not warrant more commuters in the morning, it's packed and building all these new homes will create an unbearable journey for those people who live in the village. This is all about protecting existing villagers, our Green Belt land and continuing to have a quality of life.

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

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