

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

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### Letter or Email Response:

I am writing to voice my concerns re the local draft plan to build housing on Jessel Green , Rochford Green , station car parks and Luctons field. We moved to this area 36 years ago from East London because of the green spaces available locally such as Jessal Green. It was a better place to raise our children. We all need these open areas for our wellbeing. They continue to be used by us for walking and exercise . These are areas used by local children to play and they should not be deprived of them. Public space is valuable as some green belt areas are inaccessible others are private or hilly. Why were brown field sites not considered ie Langston Road and the old Clinton Cards site? There is already a marked lack of infrastructure to accomodate current housing already under construction let alone a further influx on the scale proposed. Transport links for example the central line is already at capacity and could not cope with more commuters. Already it is impossible to park at either of our local stations and if we wish to travel to London on weekdays we are forced to get to the stations by bus and one of these routes is under threat of closure. The idea of multi story or underground car parks at the stations would simply not work in view of the numbers already using them without the idea of many more. Our schools and doctors are already overworked , there is no local NHS hospital this means we have a choice of Whips (London ) or Princess Alexandra ( Harlow ). How could they cope with this amount of extra housing? Local parking is also a major problem at present many roads in the Debden area have cars parking on pavements and small green areas and pedestrians are forced to walk in the road to avoid them. With this proposed amount of housing that problem will be magnified. Why did the council not consider planning new garden villages as other councils have. We have heard about the proposed Roding Garden Village at Wolston Hall a proposal we could support this would help alievate the pressure on Loughton and Limes Farm. This plan would put in jepardy the rural ethos of where we live bringing in urban intensification changing the nature of Loughton. I believe the whole plan should be looked at again .Please do not deprive us of our green spaces.

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