

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

Stakeholder ID 2896 Name Martin Codd

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?

Disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 1:

There doesn't seem to be any recognition of the issues confronting the area where I live. It's all very well proposing new housing but this will exacerbate the issue we have with traffic, noise pollution, lack of amenities . Inability to get a school place or see a doctor or have adequate retail facilities

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

Strongly agree

Please explain your choice in Question 2:

I still think that around Nazeing development should be to the East

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

Strongly agree

Please explain your choice in Question 3:

If housing is required then it makes sense to concentrate it around Harlow

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

Epping?

Yes

Buckhurst Hill?

Yes

Loughton Broadway?

Yes

Chipping Ongar?

Yes

Loughton High Road?

Yes

Waltham Abbey?

No

Please explain your choice in Question 4:

Waltham Abbey is a charming little town and shouldn't be swamped by new retail

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

Strongly disagree

Please explain your choice in Question 5:

Whilst I agree with the aim of encouraging more employment in the area , it doesn't make sense for that to be allocated to Hoe Lane when Middle Street suffers from appalling traffic congestion and noise which can only get worse with this proposal plus speeding cars . The local road network cannot cope with the existing volume of traffic

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 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

Please provide reasons for your view on Nazeing:

There`s a considerable amount of brownfield and derelict land which should be redeveloped first before loosing Green Belt land. The number of houses being allocated-218 seems too many for the present infrastructure of the village. I ride to work on a bicycle and do not enjoy it with the volume of traffic present. This situation will get worse unless the roads are all widened . There are insufficient doctors to serve

the present community and the sewers are regularly overwhelmed plus we experience power cuts with the current demand .The situation will get worse with new households .

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 agree

Please explain your choice in Question 7:

Completely inadequate for the proposed new homes . Unless roads are widened then the village will not be able to cope with the flow of additional traffic. We have flooding which with more house holds will get worse with run off etc

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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?

Generally , I have lived in the village for nearly 8 years and the traffic has increased as has the presence of enormous lorries which move at all hours of the night .These are brought into the village by the presence of the greenhouses . The current road structure cannot cope and the noise generated is unpleasant . I realise people have to live somewhere but the doctors surgeries/schools are not expanded to cope with the additional demand . There is also a lack of recreational facilities for children which will get worse if the Lee Valley Regional Park decide to restrict usage of car parking by charging . The retail offering in the village is limited and car parking poor which worsens the situation. I still don't understand why the village can't be extended to the East and brown site developments identified. I realise that developers prefer Green Belt sites but once they are built upon then its gone for ever and the Towns and Villages which make up much of the character of the area sprawl out and lose their identity