

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

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Letter or Email Response:

1. No urban intensification of our town please - an out of town garden village is a better alternative for Loughton which has become much too crowded with all roads and services under stress. 2. No building on Loughton's public urban open space please - the green spaces are our parks, badly needed for recreation, the physical and mental health of large numbers of residents and to absorb carbon dioxide. 3. Not enough infrastructure delivery - the District Council does not control these critical aspects and has no power to increase the capacity of roads, schools or doctors to cope with the proposed new homes. 4. The Central Line has no more capacity - for years a very overcrowded service at times when people must use it. The 'rush hour' gets longer every year. This town has a lot of commuters - to add more will worsen travelling stress, degrade residents' health and quality of life. 5. Loughton's green spaces should not be in the local plan - the Council values revenue from land it owns more than the wellbeing of 32,000 Loughton residents. 6. Loughton's Urban Open Spaces need further protection - Loughton Town Council submitted the evidence for Village Green registration years ago. Why have the District and County Councils not granted this? 7. Car Parks and flats on top - this seems like a good idea on the face of it but where will people park for the stations etc while lengthy work is in progress? Residents of the flats will want to own cars even if they live next to the station so more parking will be required. Residents fear the Council and developers will be too greedy and want to impose 3 to 4 storeys where two should be a maximum, if the open aspect of each site is preserved. Will any of these flats be 'affordable'? 8. No high buildings please - people love living in Loughton because about 98% of all existing homes are no higher than two stories. Recent extension building has begun to make some three storeys so if we are to preserve the open aspect of the town we do not want this to go further.

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