
Dear Sirs,

As a residents of Hadley Wood for over 19 years, we write to formally object to the proposed development of 160 homes on Green Belt Land in Hadley Wood. Specifically:

1. We appreciate the need for affordable housing nationwide is immense but draw your attention to the fact that the building of over 400 flats in Cockfosters(in the tube station car park) and Barnet High Street (opposite The Spire Shopping centre) have recently been approved and development is currently underway for both sites. The full impact of these developments have yet to be assessed, but they will definitely adversely affect the daily lives of the residents of Hadley Wood, who depend and use the transport, health, education and commercial facilities in both our neighbouring Cockfosters and High Barnet areas.
2. Hadley Wood is not well served in terms of local community facilities. There is no local NHS GP, NHS Dentist, bank, post office or secondary school in Hadley Wood. These services for Hadley Wood residents are provided in Barnet and Cockfosters. Additional residents settling in the area will put even more stress on the local primary school, which already has a waiting list, and on already stretched services in neighbouring areas.
3. The proposed development would damage the quiet and peaceful character of the residential area. As an established green belt site, the proposed site protects local wildlife and provides recreation space for residents from the wider community in neighbouring areas. The relatively low volume of traffic in Hadley Wood means that the area benefits from clean air and low pollution. This should be protected for future generations.
4. As the head valley of a main Enfield river, which is liable to flood and needs to keep its riverside flood spaces. Loss of vegetation and permeable surfaces will increase the risk of future flooding. Given recent events relating to global warming , this matter must be taken more seriously.

Can you please therefore reconsider this plan for 160 houses and retain the green belt status for this land.

