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I have lived in Hadley Wood for 35 years. I have been raised in Hadley Wood and am now raising a family in Hadley Wood. The reason for moving to Hadley Wood has always been because of the beautiful green spaces within this locality as it is surrounded by the Green Belt. I fully and whole heartedly object the proposed site allocation which would allow the development of 160 homes on Green Belt land.

This plan will destroy a valued and valuable part of the Green Belt. The latest Characterisation Study for Enfield refers to this area as 'a special area of landscape which is a major asset to the borough. It is of both landscape and historic significance'. It goes on to say that 'The existing Green Belt Boundary should be RETAINED AND PROTECTED, and future development of land use changed RESISTED'.

This proposal seems very opportunistic and not a strategic decision for several reasons:

- There has been no prioritisation of brownfield sites - this seems like an easy option but this area has poor connections and amenities to warrant such a development.
- This building project contradicts Enfield's green policies
- The flood risk to Hadley Wood will increase
- The investment for 160 homes does not warrant the investment needed to local schools and healthcare services. These services are already very stretched here due to the conversion of several houses into multiple houses on one site or flats which has already increased population of Hadley Wood. These services are already over capacity. I myself did not get a place at a primary school for my children that is a 7 minute walk from my house.
- Local amenities are very limited here - there is no post office, no secondary school, poor public transport links.

Nothing about this development makes sense for the residents that already reside here, nor the residents you propose to build these houses for. It has not been outlined what the 'exceptional circumstances' are as to why this specific Green Belt should be released for this development.