ACTION FOR ENFIELD'S FUTURE

Building a 21,000 home New Town on Enfield's Green Belt will not solve the affordable housing crisis. There are better solutions! Thank you for joining the campaign!

Dear Supporters

Thank you for joining our campaign to make sure the right houses are built in the right places in Enfield. At the moment Enfield has more countryside than most other outer London boroughs; part of the vital 'green belt' which has for many decades protected London from the endless sprawl, which has blighted so many other capital cities.

We acknowledge that London has a housing crisis, but we do not believe that developing a new town on Enfield's countryside is a viable solution to London's urgent need for affordable housing; especially in the short term.

Instead of destroying this valuable and irreplaceable countryside, the 'lungs of London', the Mayor of London and the New Towns Task Force should grasp the opportunity to invest in regeneration and urban renewal across parts of Enfield where there is an urgent need for local, affordable homes, sustainable jobs, green space and breathable air. These areas also offer the brownfield sites and infrastructure necessary to achieve quick results.

Given the many advantages of such brownfield investment, we challenge Enfield Council's promotion of 884 hectares [one third of the borough's Green Belt] of mostly open countryside (farmland, country park) as the indicative site for the new town. Crews Hill's famous "Horticultural Mile" would also disappear, removing a vibrant commercial destination and hundreds of sustainable land based jobs.

There is **no** democratic mandate for developing Enfield's countryside when there are alternative solutions to the housing crisis.

Thank you for your support. We will be back in touch in the New Year.

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We could lose 884 hectares of scenic and valued countryside, about one-third of Enfield's Green Belt. Farms and fields - GONE! Garden centres - GONE! A heritage golf course - GONE! Enfield's history, nature and local character SWEPT AWAY!

What you can do now:

- Write to your MPs and/or request an appointment at their local office. Right now they are toeing the party line. We need to change that! Advice here.
- Write to the Mayor of London and to Enfield's Greater London Assembly representative. Advice here.
- Write to your local councillors. The local elections will be held next May and they need to know they could lose their seats. Go here to find and write to your councillors.

What we are doing:

- Our campaign website is up and running. Visit it for the latest news and information.
- We are engaging with the media. Articles and clips can be found on the website.
- We are working with national organisations such as CPRE-London and London Green Belt Council on strategies and messaging.
- We are developing a strategy for local elections in May next year, which will be critical to the campaign.
- We are signing up as many people as possible, so you will be ready to act when needed. It's easy to sign up via the website. Please spread the word.

Action For Enfield's Future is a non-political community group with members from across Enfield including representatives from The Enfield Society, Better Homes Enfield, Enfield

Climate Action Forum (EnCaf) and Enfield RoadWatch.

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