

## SUBGROUPS QUALITATIVE RESPONSES FOLLOWING CONSULTATION

### EPPING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON Green Belt

#### Consultation Statement **Annex G**

Advisory Committee Sub-Groups formed to consider the public's responses and produced reports under the main plan topics. Each report shows the topics, the issues raised, the volume for each, with a short summary and it identifies the main themes impacting changes to the draft Plan.

The questionnaire described protection for the Forest and the Green Belt, plus three areas to be designated as Local Green Space; and 'wildlife corridors, on the eastern and western sides of Epping.

Do you agree with these proposals to protect green and open spaces?

#### Summary / how responses influenced draft policies

- Major concerns over the scale of growth, over-development, with an impact on the character of the area, and the lack of highways infrastructure and services such as doctors to support it

#### How responses influenced draft policies

- To review numbers of new dwellings, location, impact on green belt
- Align housing numbers with district plans
- To seek transport infrastructure improvements ahead of development and provision of services in the development to reduce the need for travel to the town centre
- Recognise the importance to local people of protecting and conserving local green spaces within and round the town

TOPIC	ANSWERS	YES - AGREE PLAN	NO – DISAGREE WITH PLAN / CONCERNS	ISSUE
Not Protecting Green belt completely/sufficiently	45	2	43	43 out of 45 responses didn't feel that the plan protected green belt adequately
More green preservation	19	19		The proposals for local green space designation received support
North East Epping	12			12 comments identified NE Epping as needing protection

Protect open spaces	35	18	17	Divided views on whether open spaces would be protected
Wildlife corridors	8	8		Support for green corridors along the town margins
Like plan	10	9	1	
Not like where dev (south)	3	2	1	Crossover responses from q.2 re Development
Preserve cricket ground site	2	2		
Green areas/spaces	26	26		Strong support for protection of green areas and spaces within the town
Preservation of footpath (not enough of)	3		3	3 comments linked the protection of footpaths to protection of green spaces
Recreational space	6	6		Support for the protection of recreation and play areas
Pollution inc light noise and fumes				3 comments noted the impact of development on green spaces
Market town character	2	2		The protection of green spaces in the town will help protect its character
Like green loss offset ideas	3	3		
"Don't understand"	5		5	
<p>The following each received one comment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protect Aveys Walk</li> <li>• Does not protect environment</li> <li>• Drainage/water/floodplain need to be taken into account</li> <li>• More bushes trees etc</li> </ul>				