

Dear Andrea

I'm writing in response to the Local Plan Examination Stage 2 Consultation  
- [https://walthamforest-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/pp/newlp/lpe\\_stage2](https://walthamforest-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/pp/newlp/lpe_stage2)

I have read the letter from the Highams Park Planning Group dated 17th January 2023 and agree with the comments contained therein. As a local resident I am concerned about the impact that the increase in the housing target will have on the local area, both in terms of look and feel but also the effect on local services and parking. I'm particularly concerned by the proposed developments at Site SA59 – 472-510 Larkshall Road and James Road/Yard and SA68 – Highams Park Industrial Estate. My objections to these developments submitted in previous consultations still stand:

- The size and height of these developments is out of keeping with the local area and the local plan
- The design of the developments is urban in style and will ruin the unique village character of Highams Park centre and its historic train station and level crossing
- The developments will put pressure on local resources, such as schools and our single doctors' surgery
- The developments will increase traffic and parking congestion - even with local CPZs introduced
- The developments do not provide adequate social housing or the family housing with gardens that Highams Park needs. The neighbourhood does not need any more 1 or 2 bed flats, there are lots of those already and most unoccupied.

I am also concerned about the proposed development at Larkswood Leisure Centre, where high density housing out of keeping with the needs and visual amenity of the local area and in contradiction to the local plan are again being proposed. In this case, woodland including mature trees and wildlife are also at risk.

Regards  
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