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Comment 2 on the BRENTWOOD LOCAL PLAN 2015 – 2030
Preferred Options



Policy DM23 Housing Land Allocations – Major Sites

Essex County Fire Brigade HQ, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood (005)

The inclusion of this site is unacceptable and I object strongly to its inclusion.

I have lived close to this location for over thirty years. Over that time, there has been a continual expansion in the number of dwellings in the Brentwood district through “fill-in” and new development amounting to a very significant number. In all that time, there has been no improvement to the road system at all so traffic congestion is a constant problem. The concentration of such a large increase in the number of dwellings proposed for this allocation is unacceptable without any improvement in the road network. It seems ridiculous for the council to say that the highway network is a county responsibility and ignore the problem in its plan. Such increases and concentration in dwelling numbers cannot be proposed in isolation from other very significant factors such as traffic congestion, especially when the plan itself recognizes in paragraph 1.26 that Brentwood has a very high level of car ownership compared to the national average