



PRESS RELEASE

Fairview Homes looking for a 'substantial urban extension' on Enfield's Green Belt land

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A member and owner of Green Belt land to the west of the Ridgeway in Enfield has notified The Society of a move by Fairview New Homes Ltd to submit land to the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA).

A letter sent to our member by Fairview New Homes and seen by The Society reveals that the house builder has submitted the member's land under the SHLAA *Call for Sites* provision. This has been done without the permission or any consultation with our member. The letter says

[Fairview New Homes Ltd] consider that it [the land] does offer the potential for a substantial urban extension to Enfield yielding considerable opportunities for a mixed type and tenure development

The letter acknowledges that the land of interest to Fairview Homes is in the Green Belt. The Society is completely opposed to any development on Green Belt land that has protected the countryside and prevented urban sprawl in the northern part of Enfield for over 70 years. In February 2019 The Society, working with the Campaign for Protection of Rural England (CPRE) and Enfield Roadwatch, jointly released *Space to Build 2019* in which we identified existing brown-field and underused developed land in the Borough, sufficient for 37,000 more houses.

The Society, using mapping details provided by Fairview Homes and open sources, has compiled a map showing the area of interest by the builder. The Society estimates the area of interest is 7 hectares.



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Notes for editors

1. The Enfield Society was founded in 1936 as the Enfield Preservation Society and renamed as The Enfield Society in 2007. It has about 1800 members. The Enfield Society has a record of vigorous action in defence of the local environment by practical conservation and campaigning. There is also a strong social section. The Society is a registered charity in England and Wales (276451) and is registered in England as a limited company (312134).
2. As a charity its Objects are the conservation and enhancement of the civic and natural environments of the London Borough of Enfield and its immediate surrounding area for the public benefit. The Society is opposed to any development on Green Belt land.
3. Space to Build 2019 can be downloaded from our web-site at enfieldsociety.org.uk/space-to-build-in-enfield-cpre-enfield-society-joint-report
4. The CPRE web-site is cpre.org.uk. Enfield Roadwatch's web-site is enfieldroadwatch.co.uk.
5. Our social media pages are Facebook/[enfieldsociety](https://www.facebook.com/enfieldsociety), Twitter [@enfieldsoc](https://twitter.com/enfieldsoc) and Instagram [@enfieldsociety](https://www.instagram.com/enfieldsociety)