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18<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Councillors,

### “Open letter” to Enfield Green Party and Conservative Party Councillors

We wanted to offer our warm congratulations on your success in the recent local elections.

It was clear throughout the campaign that many residents connected strongly with your message, and the vote share reflects the trust and confidence placed in you across the borough.

As you may know, [Action for Enfield's Future](#) is a grassroots non-party-political community group which was formed four years ago when we successfully petitioned Enfield Council to improve its Local Plan Regulation 19 Consultation process.

Since then, we have tracked major decisions made by Enfield Council - publishing briefings, asking questions, and helping to raise awareness of issues about Meridian Water, the Local Plan and more recently Crews Hill and Chase Park New Town (CH&CP NT) in the interest of Enfield's residents.

Our role has always been to provide information, to promote transparency in decision-making, and above all to work to make the borough we love a fairer and better place to live.

During this election, one issue came through more strongly than any other: serious reservations about the proposed New Town at Crews Hill and Chase Park and the implications for the protection of the Green Belt, hundreds of jobs and thriving businesses at Crews Hill Village. 3000+ residents have signed this [letter to the Prime Minister](#) and 77% of voters in Enfield voted for parties that had vowed to [protect green spaces](#), including yours.

Many people told us they felt reassured by your pledges to defend the Green Belt, oppose development at Whitewebbs and Crews Hill, prioritise brownfield land for new housing, and expand and protect access to nature. They were also shocked at the lack of [transparency](#) and [evidence](#) accompanying the New Town proposals which go against everything that they and AfEF stand for.

Your manifesto commitments on this were clear and welcomed repeatedly by residents at our events and in the thousands of interactions we and our volunteers had across the borough. These conversations were discernible in the election result which saw the loss of 11 Labour seats across the three parliamentary constituencies, 5 to the Greens and 6 to the Conservatives and yielded a 21% swing against the promoters of the proposal to build a 21,000-home new town across the Green Belt

The biggest threat to Enfield's Green Belt, jobs and affordable homes remains the government's proposal for Crews Hill and Chase Park New Town which continues to cause deep concern.

It cannot be an honourable position to be the only London Council that refuses to publish its submission to the New Town Task Force even in response to a London Assembly [Freedom of Information](#) request to support its investigation “[New Towns for London](#)”.

We look forward to seeing your manifesto commitments put into practice. As a first step we ask that you

1. Publish the submission that Enfield Council made to the New Towns Taskforce; if necessary, in redacted form.
2. Place a total embargo on the sale of **any** Green Belt Land in Enfield before the Government takes its New Towns proposals through the necessary national legislative stages.

We hope to work constructively with you to ensure that the promises made to residents are honoured and so we look forward to the first AGM and Mayor-making at Enfield's new council on May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Civic Centre, which we are urging our supporters to attend.

We wish you every success in your new roles and look forward to positive and constructive engagement in the months ahead.

Yours sincerely,

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On behalf of:



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### Action for Enfield's Future

[Action for Enfield's Future](#) (AfeF) is a grassroots non-political community group bringing together local residents, including members of [Enfield Climate Action Forum](#) (EnCaf), [The Enfield Society](#), [Enfield RoadWatch](#)

We work to make the borough we love a fairer and better place to live, by pushing for transparent, evidence-based decisions for residents.



### Enfield RoadWatch

Join Enfield RoadWatch [here](#)

Enfield RoadWatch is a local action group made up of residents around the borough who have been lobbying for the protection of the borough's green spaces for over 12 years.

We are non-party political and inclusive.

With our partner organisations, we have provided evidence that building on our countryside will not solve London's housing crisis and that there are better and more realistic solutions. We can show that the new town proposal is not based on evidence and will not produce the benefits that are promised.



### The Enfield Society

The Enfield Society promotes 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. [We were established in 1936.](#)

