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We oppose the “low value, low quality” provisions in Policy ECC04. We should be protecting and enhancing all open space in the borough not allowing development on it. The ‘evidence’ to justify this policy is out of date, extremely subjective in its judgements and should not be used.

The current plan is unsound in this respect. Current policy does not plan adequately for the impacts that this population and development increase will have on the open and natural environment. The evidence to support stronger policy is clear and but has not been fully and properly addressed. We propose removal of this element of the policy.

- A Regional Park for Barnet based on the Green Belt. (Policy GSS13) This idea has been around for many years but there is nothing specific on how and when it will be delivered. The messages given in the plan on this idea are garbled.
 - o We propose a much clearer statement MUST be included on how this is to be progressed including adding it to the key diagram, proposals map and identifying the resources to create it in the Draft Barnet Infrastructure Delivery Plan.
- London became the world's first National Park City on 22 July 2019. This is not recognised by the plan. London National Park City is a movement to improve life in London working with residents, visitors, and partners to: Enjoy London's great outdoors more; Make the city greener, healthier and wilder; Promote London's identity as a National Park City
 - o Add new policy supporting the principles of London National Park City and amend