

To The Planning Officer,  
 Welwyn Hatfield Council  
 Planning Department

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Dear Sirs,

We are writing to inform you of our opposition to the application made to the borough council for the construction of a large Tesco store and other buildings on the Broadwater site.

We are particularly concerned about:

1. Does W G C need another Supermarket ? There are 4 already. There are 38 within a 12 mile Radius of our town, and 16 of these are Tesco.
2. A huge supermarket is likely to reduce the viability of the smaller shops in Woodhall, Hall Grove, and Howardsgate—resulting in a blight on the Town Centre shops and surroundings. This will make things difficult for those who need to walk to the shops.
3. A large Supermarket will bring more traffic, not only private cars, but also Heavy lorries and vans. This would result in more traffic congestion on already over-busy roads/, hence more traffic accidents, and delays. The present Roads and Bridges will need strengthening, maybe rebuilding.
4. The Application proposes more building on the site, eg houses, flats, a G.P's Surgery, a Leisure Centre . The house building is 'High Density', with few gardens and trees, not at all as intended by Sir Ebenezer Howard. [ Note that there are 2 Surgeries near Parkway and one in Peartree Lane.]
5. How are people walking from the Broadwater/Peartree area to get to the Railway station?
6. In whose interest is this Planning Application? Is it for the good of our Citizens, or is it actually just a commercial venture? We are glad that we live in a town founded by people with ideals and an ethos with practical concern for the surroundings and homes in which we live. We are proud of our Heritage which is admired World-Wide, and wish it to continue for the generations to come.

Yours faithfully,

