

I know that we need to provide more accommodation, particularly that which is truly affordable. The BioPark seems to be a good choice. As long as the buildings are not too high, this site is really only visible from the railway. I used to look at the BioPark building on my daily commute to London. From Broadwater Road it should be largely obscured by other buildings already there or currently under construction. However, these plans propose blocks of nine storeys, which are far too high. You should abide by your guidelines to limit buildings to no more than five storeys. If you cram in too many large buildings without sufficient green space you are in real danger of destroying the character of Welwyn Garden City. Do you want that to be your legacy?

On recent walks around Tewin and Bramfield I was surprised and horrified to see that the blocks currently being built are clearly visible on the horizon. They are not a pretty sight. Adding more, and even taller blocks, will create a real eyesore, not only for those near WGC town centre but for miles around.