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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Cc: [Stuart Andrew.MP](#)
Subject: PDE00070_Objection to housing development plans - Rawdon
Date: 02 November 2015 13:27:43

Dear Sir or Madam,

Regarding the proposed plans for new housing in Rawdon ref: HG2-12, HG2-41, HG3-2, HG3-3 and HG3-4

I write to object in the strongest terms to the proposed development of housing on Rawdon's greenbelt land.

This development is not justified.

The green fields surrounding Rawdon are what keeps the village separate from other neighbouring towns, and stop it from being one ugly mass of urban sprawl. We need green spaces and open countryside. The open green valley is one of the main advantages and pleasures of living here and to lose it would mean restricting outdoor pursuits for local people as well as damaging local conservation areas and wildlife. Please don't build on our lovely open countryside. Brownfield sites ARE available elsewhere across Leeds which should be developed before greenbelt land.

The A65 is already full and over capacity meaning that commuter journeys into Leeds are already a nightmare. The road simply cannot take any more traffic without causing utter chaos and gridlock, predominantly at peak times. There is no new road network planned. With the new housing being built in Horsforth as well as the new Kirkstall developments the main route in and out of Leeds are going to be even more congested. Please don't add any more traffic to this area.

Our local infrastructure cannot take any more housing. Our schools are already over subscribed with a real fight for places and no planned provision for more school places. There are not enough doctors and dentists surgeries to cater for the current residents let alone anymore and there is no new employment planned.

Please don't turn what is a lovely, small community into a mass of unwanted and unwarranted urban sprawl. We want to keep Rawdon green and keep its special character and I urge you to overturn your planned development proposals and find a more appropriate site.

Yours sincerely,

Abigail Barnes