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To Whom It May Concern:

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I wish to register my objection to the significant over development of greenfield sites within the Horsforth/ Rawdon area. Your reference HG41 (4240) the fields South of the A65 from Horsforth & Rawdon to the crematorium (allocated capacity of 777 homes) and HG2-42 and HG2-43.

The site is located on a section of the ring road that is bottle necked due to separate single lane bridges in area with an infrastructure that CANNOT cope with any further development. Try driving up the A65 and crossing the ring road at anytime between 4pm and 7pm. Recent alterations to the roundabout have made little if any improvement to the significant congestion in the area. That's without considering the impact on the over subscribed schools and impact on local health services.

In addition these developments are proposed on greenbelt protected land and the Core Strategy states that a priority when considering housing allocation is 'respecting local character and distinctiveness in the delivery of the Plans objectives and maximising opportunity to recycle previously developed land'

Page 60 of the Leeds Core Strategy shows that very many of the sites proposed for housing allocation are in greenbelt including HG41, HG42 and HG43. The site allocation is inconsistent with not only Leeds' policy but also the National policy.

The figures don't add up regarding how many houses LCC say are needed to be built as out of date statistics are being used. Leeds fair share of building the shortfall of housing based on pop size would be around 45,000 not the massively inflated proposed 70,000 houses. The NPPF have stated that the local plan can be reviewed to 'respond flexibly to changing circumstances'. This has not been done.

In my opinion obsolete housing targets are clearly being used and are inconsistent with National Policy and the Core strategy.

The great importance of Greenbelt is to prevent urban sprawl, the proposed large use of Greenbelt ignores several sections of the National Planning Policy framework in particularly the fifth purpose 'to assist in urban regeneration by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land' and is again inconsistent with National Policy.

The NPPF also states that merging of communities is to be prevented however the building on HG41 will do just that, merge two or even three communities with separate identities.

It is my strong belief that the current plans rely far too heavily on Greenbelt and are therefore not justified.

Please take this letter as notice of my OBJECTION to the proposed plans.

Yours faithfully

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