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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
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I would like to make the following comments on the Leeds Site Allocation Plan. These relate to Site HG2-18 Church Lane, which includes the possible provision of a school.

I moved into Adel 12 months ago, and every day look with regret at the housing on the Centurion Fields site, and wonder how on earth you supported these buildings so near to the historic site of St John the Baptist Church. This was clearly a previously unspoilt area, with the approach to the church now marred by houses which are totally unsympathetic to the local environment. Building further housing, even closer to the church, would in my opinion be completely without regard to the history and appearance of this area and ruin for ever the environs of the church. It borders on vandalism and cannot be justified. The tourists who travel long distances to come and see the church would, I am sure, be appalled if they found new housing built so close to it. As a relative newcomer to Leeds I have been impressed by the good work you do to preserve local green spaces and the lovely parks; this plan to build on a beautiful and historic site appears to contravene your approach, and I cannot understand why you would want to do this. You would destroy an important part of our heritage. The views from the church would be gone for ever.

There are a number of brown field sites in North Leeds which could be built on, and my understanding is that you should use these for development rather than wrecking our remaining green spaces, such as the land on Church Lane.

I also object to the proposal to potentially build a school on the site. It would bring additional traffic and parking problems to a road which is already used as a "rat run" to the A660, which makes it difficult to cross the road at busy times. Siting a school here would be unsafe and makes no sense as the school should be closer to the location of large populations of children. The proposals for building housing and a new school would import additional traffic into an area of significant heritage which we should be preserving, not developing.

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