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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Cc: [Collins, Cllr Dawn](#)
Subject: PDE00378_Proposed Site Allocations - Objection
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Dear Sir/ Madam

I refer to the proposed mass development of greenfield sites within the Horsforth/ Rawdon area. I wish to register my strong objection in particular to HG41 (4240) the fields South of the A65 from Horsforth & Rawdon to the crematorium (allocated capacity of 777 homes!!) but also HG2-42 and HG2-43.

These developments are on greenbelt protected land in area which simply can't cope with any more development.

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.

It is therefore my believe that 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The figures don't add up regarding how many houses LCC say are needed to be built as out of date statistics are being used.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.

There will be a huge negative impact on traffic should this go ahead in an area that is already gridlocked most of the time (no exaggeration). The site is located on a section of the ring road that is bottle necked due to sepearate single lane bridges with the inability to deliver a proper infrastructure to serve them.

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 strong objection to the proposed plans.

Yours faithfully

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