

From:
To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Subject: PDE00576_LEEDS SITE ALLOCATION PLANS - FORMAL OBJECTION
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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to you with regard to the Leeds Site Allocation Plan public consultation process. I would like to formally object to the proposed development of the following sites:

- HG2-12 (4254) – Fields at Woodlands Drive
- HG2-41 (4240) – Fields South of A65 from Horsforth and Rawdon RA to crematorium
- HG2-42 (1016) – Fields at Broadway and Calverley Lane, Horsforth
- HG2-43 (5009) – Fields at Horsforth College Campus

It is my understanding that the proposed development sites are NOT consistent with the national policy, specifically with regard to Green Belt issues. I strongly believe that Leeds must continue to protect our Green Belt and green fields. The fields and open green spaces, which are being proposed for development, are important to me and my family. They have great recreational and aesthetic value, and make a real difference to our quality of living and welfare. Furthermore, our local wildlife depend on these areas. We need to protect our local habitats, which are already under threat. The Redrow Horsforth Vale (331 houses), Riverside Mill (136 houses) and Kirkstall Forge (up to 1,000 houses) developments are already pressing ahead with significantly expanding the local population around Horsforth and its immediate vicinity, creating notable pressures on infrastructures and utility services.

It is also my understanding that the proposed development sites are NOT consistent with the national policy, specifically with regard to infrastructure. Leeds has insufficient policies in place to address the issues that these developments will generate. Development and infrastructure requirements must be considered side by side.

Development of these sites on green fields will lead to nearby villages being

engulfed within the 'Main Urban Area' and they will no longer be separate 'Major Settlements' of their own.

I am also concerned about the fact that there appear to be no real effective plans to resolve additional traffic issues that will be created along the A65 corridor, which has already had a bus lane added to it. Moreover, the city does not have a solution for more traffic crossing the river, canal or railway. All three bridges would have to be replaced before any road widening could take place. Developers would not pay for this level of work.

Please keep me informed of the public examinations, submission of the plans and potential outcome of the review as I would like to retain my right to attend and speak.

Yours faithfully,

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