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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Subject: PDE00649_Save Our Greenbelt
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Dear Sir/Madam

I am emailing with concern regarding the proposals to build on Greenbelt near our home:

HG2-41 FIELDS SOUTH OF A65, HORSFORTH ROUNDABOUT TO THE CREMATORIUM

HG2-43 FIELDS AT HORSFORTH COLLEGE CAMPUS

HG2-12 FIELDS AT WOODLANDS DRIVE, RAWDON

HG3-2, HG3-3, HG3-4 FIELDS OFF A65, RAWDON

First of all, the proposals to include these GREEN BELT sites in the Local Plan is NOT consistent with the National Policy.

The proposals to use GREEN BELT BEFORE BROWNFIELD is not justified.

The proposals to use this Strategic Green Infrastructure goes against the Leeds Core Strategy

As I'm sure you're aware:

Rawdon is in a **Special Landscape Area**. If ANY or ALL of the Rawdon greenbelt sites, and Horsforth site HG2-41 were built on, its greenbelt protection would result in:

Urban sprawl

Merger of Rawdon Village with Horsforth Town - Ghyll Beck is the natural, historic boundary

Encroachment on the countryside

Damage to the setting of Rawdon village and its special character, and the historic setting of Cragg Wood Conservation Area.

Destruction of the buffer between village, town and countryside

Damage to the ongoing conservation of nature

The LAW states the following: The policy on protection for the green belt is contained in section 9 of the NPPF, which sets out the fundamental aim of green belt policy:

79. The Government attaches great importance to Green Belts. The fundamental aim of Green Belt policy is to prevent urban sprawl by keeping land permanently open; the essential characteristics of Green Belts are their openness and their permanence.

These proposals affect myself, my family and friends living in this area:

Our lifestyle of working hard throughout the week is balanced by many local walks and bike rides in the GREENBELT in the evenings and at weekends ; the GREEN BELT provides us with countryside, wildlife, the children being educated in many

ways about nature, their local (currently) beautiful landscape and teaching them a way of life that doesn't revolve around buildings, providing us all with exercise, a chance to be together away from technology etc ALL ON OUR DOORSTEP.

The views from surrounding areas such as the drive from Calverley to Rodley would be massively affected - what is not beautiful GREEN BELT would be just yet more houses.

The whole area would become busier - more traffic, more pollution, less room and longer waiting time at already busy doctors surgeries, more pressure on already over subscribed schools pushing people in more rural areas away, the whole living experience of living in Horsforth will be dramatically changed.

Why is this when there are many brownfield sites available, other areas where houses are empty?

We want to stop this now before any more time and money is wasted - tax payers money - please come up with a logical solution to these ridiculous proposals.

SAVE OUR GREENBELT

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