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I am appalled at the lack of understanding of the local conditions in Rawdon that such plans could have been contemplated. I realise there is far more political manoeuvring behind the scenes that I am not familiar with.

There are many brown field sites that are not being exploited. An immediate example is the site of West Park School that was razed over 3 years ago and remains untouched. There is further land adjacent to the school site down to Queenswood drive.

HG2-41 a site proposed for 777 Houses and a school would also require shops and leisure facilities. Access would be from the A65. This road is already overloaded. The new expensive roundabout on the Leeds ring road has brought no improvement in traffic flow in fact the reverse. Traffic is now diverting to Brownberry Lane to try and bypass the roundabout bringing over congestion to the OldBall roundabout in Horsforth and further via Fink Hill and Horsforth Woodside. Years ago I wrote proposing an overpass as the only solution.

The proposed airport link road is in a word "Crazy", though maybe good value if the airport is paying for it. This road does nothing to relieve congestion on the A65 and Layton Road/Brownberry lane. The obvious requirement is a rail link. For a temporary improvement Bayton Lane junction with Layton Road can be improved by a roundabout at minimal cost. The insertion of a bollard in the middle of the road has been of no help in improving traffic flow but has reduced the number of minor car crashes that went largely unreported. Bayton Lane could be upgraded and in fact runs along the airport and could fulfil the function of the proposed airport road. I am all in favour of the brown field development of the Clariant site, but this could be extended to the ring road. HG1-96 gives me no problems.

The blue sites HG3-2/3/4. Give me no immediate problems though nearer the time may prove to be unsustainable. HG3-2 being next to Airedale factory is almost a brown site, but causes the same problems of access to the A65.

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