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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Cc: [Stuart Andrew.MP:](#)
Subject: PDE01124_Proposed Development Objections
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to the proposed developments of over 70,000 new houses in the Rawdon/Horsforth area. I have been a resident of Rawdon my entire life (37 years). Rawdon is a wonderful village and currently has the right balance of housing and local amenities for a small village and I fear the new developments would severely disrupt this balance.

Firstly, a number of the proposed sites HG2-41, HG2-12, HG3-2, HG3-3 would merge Horsforth and Rawdon. Rawdon would therefore lose its village identity. This also contradicts **Section 9 of the National Planning Policy Framework "Protecting Green Belt Land**, which identifies the purpose and therefore importance of Green Belt land.

The proposed plans also have only one school planned. One school is not enough to cater for the potential number of children that could be living in the area due to the extra housing. As a parent of a child that is fast approaching school age my concern is that this will put pressure on the existing schools and may restrict our access to local schools.

The developments would also result in a significant increase in the volume of traffic through Rawdon. The main roads through Rawdon already have large volumes of traffic at peak times and more housing would worsen this situation. In addition parking is already a problem in Rawdon, more inhabitants would also contribute to this problem.

In summary the new developments would therefore cause the following problems:

1. Reduce green belt land
2. Reduce wildlife and habitats
3. Lose the village identity of Rawdon
4. Increase traffic
5. Increase pollution
6. Increase parking problems
7. Reduce the availability of school places

I would urge that you consider my views along with those of hundreds of others and reconsider the proposed plans.

Regards,

Amanda Murphy

Sent from my iPad