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RE: LEEDS SITE ALLOCATION PLANS - FORMAL OBJECTION

Date 15TH November 2015

Dear Sir / Madam,

As part of the Leeds Site Allocation Plan public consultation process, I would like to formally object to the proposed development of the following sites:

HG2-41 Fields to the south of the A65
HG2-42 Fields at Broadgate Lane
HG2-43 Fields at Horsforth College Campus
742 Netherfield Rd Guiseley
1221 Gill Lane Yeadon
1255B Shaw Lane Yeadon
1308 Green Lane Yeadon
2038 Low Mills Guiseley
3329 Land at Rawdon
4043 Ings Lane Guiseley
4095 Land to the West of Knott Lane
1104 Greenside Farm Guiseley
1148 Bradford Rd Guiseley
1180B Coach Rd Guiseley
1186 Cross Lane
1189 Bramston Lodge
1194 Thorpe Lane
1255A Shaw Lane
1256 Wills Gill
3326 Land at Rawdon
3033 Land to the East of Appleley Lane

It is my understanding that the proposed development sites are NOT consistent with the national policy, specifically with regard to Green Belt. Leeds must continue to protect our Green Belt and greenfields.

The fields and open green spaces, which are being proposed for development, are important to me because they define the villages of Aireborough. I believe this area is carrying the brunt of the urbanisation of Leeds because the land is valuable and is easy to develop as the builders have access to it from A65 and other A roads in the area. We already have extensive developments at Horsforth Vale, Kirkstall Forge and High Royds and that should be enough for us to maintain the character of the area.

These sites should continue to be part of Leeds' 'Strategic Green Infrastructure' as identified in the Adopted Core Strategy.

It is 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.

The developments I have objected to are all major developments for 50+ houses. The reason I object is that the infrastructure is not in place to handle a further 3000 homes. The A65 is already at breaking point during the rush hour as we all fight to cross the River Aire at Horsforth or make our way into the city. Is another bridge across the Aire considered, I think not. Is there a proposal for a Supertram for our area. I think not. The air pollution in Rawdon on the A658 is terrible and I feel sorry for parents and children at Littlemoor and Benton Park as they make their way to school. Is there a plan to deal with this? I think not.

Also the services in the area are full. Some of our local schools have had extensions but these are only managing to cope with the existing children in the area. Where are the new children going to school? Is there a definite proposal for new schools? I think not

Development of these sites on greenfields will lead to nearby villages being engulfed within the 'Main Urban Area' and they will no longer be separate 'Major Settlements' of their own. Reference, Adopted Core Strategy (Map 3, Settlement Hierarchy).

My concerns are this wholesale development of our area will mean more urban sprawl. The character of the area will be ruined, the green fields define our area. All city brownfields sites should be considered before we attack the greenfields. I believe Leeds City Council in conjunction with developers are taking the easy option with no consideration for the existing residents. Once these fields are gone, there is no going back. Do we need all these houses? I think not. I read in the press that Leeds City Council have got their figures wrong.

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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