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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
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Herewith letter objecting to the Site Allocation Plans.
Thank you.
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Dear Sir/Madam

Leeds Site Allocation Plans public consultation process : formal objection

Along with many other concerned residents, we are objecting to the whole plan because the Council has not carried out a genuinely comprehensive Green Belt review.

We would like to object formally to the proposed development of the following sites:

HG 2-5 Coach Road

HG 2-6 Coach Road /Silverdale Allotments

HG 2-4 Hollins Hill

HG 2-3 Banksfield/Coppicewood

HG 3-1 Ings Lane

HG 2-1 New Birks Farm Ings Lane

HG 2-2 Wills Gill

HG 2-10 Gill Lane, Yeadon

HG 2-9 Victoria Ave Yeadon

HG 2-12 Woodlands Drive Rawdon

HG 2-41 Horsforth

HG 2-43 Horsforth campus

HG 3-4 Layton Wood Rawdon

HG 3-2 & 3-3 Knott Lane Rawdon

Our objections stem from two areas of concern:

Impact on Green Belt and green space. It is our 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 proposed developments would remove most of the fields and open green spaces in Guiseley, Yeadon and neighbouring areas. These spaces are important to us because we love this area, the natural beauty, and the opportunities green space offers for leisure activities. Green Belt and green fields help keep settlements distinctive and allow for leisure, self-improvement and mental health. Seeing and engaging with natural beauty is good for everyone, and we must highlight the potential of allotments in particular to help combat social problems such as loneliness and obesity. Once such land is developed, it is lost forever to the public good. Such sites should continue to be part of Leeds' 'Strategic Green Infrastructure' as identified in the Adopted Core Strategy.

Infrastructure. Guiseley and its surrounding settlements (witness High Royds) has seen much piece-meal new development in recent years without sufficient consideration given to the infrastructure to support new residents in work, leisure and schooling, not to mention utilities. Leeds does not have policies which address these concerns, as evidenced by our experiences. The A65 and adjacent roads cannot cope and are regularly gridlocked. We see no evidence that the Council has considered the impact these new developments would have in adding more vehicles to already full roads. Rail services as they stand are no solution: the Leeds service in particular struggles to meet the level of demand we now experience. We have particular concerns relating to drainage and sewage issues for the two sites nearest to our home. Both the allotments and the fields are waterlogged all winter. If these are paved, where is the water to go? Has this been considered?

Please keep us informed of the public examinations, submission of the plans and

potential outcome of the review as we would like to retain our right to attend and speak.

Yours faithfully

Alison Cullingford and Simon Osbaldiston.