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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Subject: PDE01292_HG2 144 OUTER SOUTH WEST
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Dear Sirs

Re: Leeds Draft site allocations plan consultation 2015

After considering information provided about the above consultation I wish to object to the loss of green belt at this stage of the local plan; taking land out of green belt should not be done before the Leeds local plan has reached its half way point on 01 April 2020, after formal review of its progress. This is to avoid unnecessary loss of green belt if the rate of new development, especially the building of dwellings, falls well short of LDF core strategy target numbers.

National planning policy framework (NPPF) paragraph 79 says "The essential characteristics of green belt are their openness and their permanence"; para 83 says "once established, the green belt boundaries should only be altered in exceptional circumstances, through the preparation or review of the local plan. At that time, authorities should consider the green belt boundaries having regard to their intended permanence in the long term, so that they should be capable of enduring beyond the planned period". Leeds City Council must take this into account

Signed: Bryan and Janet Thompson

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We would like to make specific reference to site allocation plan reference number HG2-144 outer south west

The Council having already granted planning permission to site reference HG1-333 for the allocation of 19 dwellings to be built which is situated opposite the proposed site H2-144, Old Lane would be unable to accommodate 17 more dwellings in such close proximity.

The small hamlet of Nethertown has become a rarity in this area. Drighlington has in the recent past had numerous developments established, passed or ongoing. The access to Old Lane would be severely compromised by the 19 dwellings already approved by Leeds City Council (HG1-333) and such a large increase in traffic volumes would significantly compromise the safety of the present residents. We do not believe that Leeds as a City would benefit in any

way from this additional development in Nethertown, Drighlington whereas Nethertown, Drighlington would benefit enormously from this proposed planning being refused, ie there is already a sewage problem in the area, the primary school and local medical centres are already over-subscribed, traffic pollution is already on the increase through other developments and this will only add to the problem.