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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Subject: PDE01538_Site HG2-49 (3376)
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Re: Plan Ref HG2-49 (3376)

I write to strongly object to the proposal to allocate the statutory green belt land off Weetwood Avenue for housing

This site has always been considered unsuitable for housing and in all assessments the site has been categorised as RED i.e. unsuitable for housing based on its Green Belt status and the potential for harm to the Conservation Area.

I have lived on Weetwood Avenue long enough to have seen numerous failed attempts to drain the field.

The fact that it is boggy land and in a conservation area has made it an ideal habitat for a wide range of plants, wildlife and birds.

As I understand it, designated green belt status is only changed in exceptional circumstances and there are none to justify a change to this site for housing.

This Green Belt site is part of the network of park and woodlands adjoining Meanwood woods / Meanwood park and the Hollies and attracts many visitors to the area.

This well known site (Tetley's Fields) is an important and attractive part of the Weetwood Conservation Area, and as the Site Allocations Plan acknowledges, development for housing would have harmful impacts on the character.

It would appear that the only basis on which this site is being proposed is the site owners suggestions as to how the proceeds of the development might be used which is absolutely irrelevant.

The Council's own analysis has confirmed that there is no shortage of housing land supply in this part of the city therefore there is no sound reason to remove the Green Belt status.

Yours sincerely

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