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To: <u>Site Allocations Plan</u>

Subject: PDE01642_Objection to the Development of Tetley Field in Meanwood Park (Off Weetwood Ave - HG 2/49)

Date: 14 November 2015 12:33:57

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object strongly to the proposed planning permission on Tetley Field and also its inclusion in the Sites Allocation Plan.

I am astounded that the council would consider allocating such a large green space, which is part of the Leeds Habitat Network and is virtually part of the park itself, as suitable for development.

I believe this particular site was initially red-listed and I would have thought that would have been an end to it: unfortunately, it wasn't. I understand it is in the hands of a private owner and I understand that the private owner wants to maximise the value of his assets. That however, should not be relevant when the land in question is part of a conservation area. What is the point of having designations such as the Leeds Habitat Network if they can be dismissed so readily?

Meanwood Beck contains a species of recognised significance and questions need to be raised about the likelihood of habitat disruption due to any "development" of the area.

The underlying fact is that Tetley Field is part of the green corridor, sits with the park boundaries (in spirit at least) and is within a conservation area. As a result, it is thoroughly unsuitable to development of any kind. This holds true irrespective of its ownership.

Your Sincerely,

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