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We are sending this email to object to the Site Allocation Plan for houses to built on Green belt land in Horsforth & Rawdon.

Greenbelt & greenfields were originally specifically designated as land that could not be built on & left open as dividing spaces between villages on the outskirts of towns. Brownfields were designated to be built on before greenfield. Leeds City Council does not seem to want to adhere to this policy & it would appear that they are endeavouring to fill in all the gaps, brownfields & greenfields alike & is this not only happening in Rawdon & Horsforth. Consequently all areas will merge in to one another, which is not supposed to happen according to the national policy.

HG2-12

This site has private roads on its boundary. New York Lane is a single track private road to the northern edge of the site which goes eastward to join Knott Lane and the A65 at its junction with Layton Lane and westwards to join the A65 at its junction with Carr Lane. Woodlands Drive on the southern edge of the site is a private road which is accessed through a barrier with a remote control code. It goes eastward to join Knott Lane and the A65 and westward to join Apperley Lane, another very congested road.

Where will the exit be from this development be?

Knott Lane already has a substantial volume of traffic. It is used by residents of Woodlands Drive, Underwood Drive, the old Baptist College apartments, Old Woodlands Hospital apartments, Woodleigh Hall flats & apartments, Southlands Avenue & New York Lane to access the A65. There is a constant flow of traffic from Rawdon Crematorium (consisting of large numbers of vehicles) on to Knott Lane.

All these vehicles have to filter in to the traffic using the A65 at the junction of Knott Lane & Layton Lane. The A65 at this point is very congested at all times of day & it requires a great deal of patience to wait for a spot to join the flow. There are long hold ups at peak times which has not been eased, but is worse since the installation of traffic light at Horsforth roundabout !!!!

Knott Lane is used for parking cars, which are left there whilst the occupants travel by public transport in to Leeds.

Rawdon has not sufficient facilities i.e. doctors, dentists or schools to cope with the amount of people who are going to inhabit these dwellings?

HG2-12 & (HG3-2, HG3-3, HG3-4 listed as safeguarded) are all greenbelt sites & are abundant in wildlife. Woodpecker, jay, red kite, heron, foxes, badgers & deer are regularly seen in these areas which are adjacent to Cragg Wood. Conservation area. There are also numerous footpaths & bridleways including part of the [Leeds Country Way](#). These 'country' facilities are enjoyed by walkers, runners, cyclists & horse riders.

We feel it is no necessary to build on greenbelt land. There are still many brownfield sites and many thousands of empty houses in Leeds.

Please do not fill our green fields with houses.

We hope these comments will be taken into consideration & Rawdon & surrounding areas

can stay as a 'Green & Pleasant' part of England.

Joan & Leslie Hey.