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I am writing to express my concern about the proposed development in the Aireborough area.

Please find attached a letter detailing my opposition to the developments.

Thank you,

Hannah Walker

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Further to my email on 13th November, I would like to add the following comment.

The A65 is a very busy road. A study has shown it to be over-capacity. One of my main concerns about the proposed building development is the impact it will have on the A65, and whether the contributions to unspecified mitigations referred to in the Site Allocation Plan will have any alleviating effect on the heavy traffic that exists daily on the A65 between Guiseley and Leeds.

Following the flooding at Otley, Kirkstall, and other areas this weekend, some train and all bus services were cancelled between Ilkley and Leeds, Shipley and Leeds, and Otley/Yeadon/Guiseley and Leeds. I took a bus replacement service from Guiseley rail station to Leeds city centre. There was very heavy traffic throughout the journey along the A65, with many sections of stationary traffic, so that the bus driver chose to re-route onto minor roads in order to complete the journey. This is an excellent example of the large impact a small increase in motor vehicle users has on the A65, since many people will have chosen to drive rather than wait for cancelled train or bus services.

Leeds City Council's response to the aforementioned report was that the improved bus service along the A65 (bus lane and cycle lane) would encourage more people to take the bus, thereby alleviating the traffic problems. Clearly this has not happened, since there is a daily build-up of traffic along this route, and the bus services are infrequent.

There needs to be serious consideration about the impact of the proposed development on this important route. There is a real possibility that just a small increase in the number of vehicles at peak times will cause many miles of near-stationary traffic. Providing a bus lane and an intimidating cycle lane is not enough to alleviate the problems that will be caused by this development. The council must produce a better solution if they are going to build all these houses.

Hannah Walker