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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Subject: PDE01825_Re: LEEDS SITE ALLOCATION PLANS - FORMAL OBJECTION
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13/11/15

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to you to formally and strenuously object to the proposed development (as part of the Leeds Site Allocation Plan public consultation process) of various sites in the Horsforth/Rawdon/Guiseley area, including sites HG2-41, HG2-43, HG2-5, HG2-3, HG2-2, HG2-1 and HG2-4.

It is my grave concern that not only the local infrastructure will be unable to cope with the demands of thousands of new residents, but that the character and individual identity of surrounding villages will be severely and negatively impacted - irreversibly. Development of these sites on greenfields will lead to nearby villages being engulfed within the 'Main Urban Area' and they will no longer be separate 'Major Settlements' of their own. [Reference, Adopted Core Strategy (Map 3, Settlement Hierarchy).] In addition, the A65 is already a very congested road, particularly during rush hour (despite and perhaps worsened by recent roadworks around the Horsforth roundabout) and the single carriageway road is clearly insufficient to absorb potentially hundreds of extra vehicles every day.

It is my understanding that the proposed development sites are NOT consistent with the national policy, specifically with regard to Green Belt and aforementioned infrastructure. Leeds has insufficient policies in place to address the issues that these developments will generate. Development and infrastructure requirements must be considered side by side.

There are many brownfield sites in Leeds and surrounding area which would greatly benefit from new, affordable housing and enable housing targets to be reached without the need to destroy our city's enviable natural beauty. Leeds must continue to protect our Green Belt and greenfields and these sites should continue to be part of Leeds' 'Strategic Green Infrastructure' as identified in the Adopted Core Strategy.

Please keep me informed of the public examinations, submission of the plans and potential outcome of the review as I would like to retain my right to attend and speak.

Yours faithfully,

Laura N Crane