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Hi

12th November 2015

As part of the Leeds Site Allocation Plan public consultation process, I would like to formally object to the proposed development of the following sites:

HG2-41 (4240) - Fields South of A65 from Horsforth & Rawdon RA to crematorium (including the strawberry fields)
HG2-42 (1016) - Fields at Broadway and Calverley Lane, Horsforth
HG2-43 (5009) - Fields at Horsforth College Campus

It is my understanding that the proposed development sites are NOT consistent with the national policy, specifically with regard to Green Belt. Leeds must continue to protect our Green Belt and greenfields. The fields and open green spaces, which are being proposed for development, are important to me because these green spaces around Horsforth were what drew me to the area in the first place. The fact that there is space to breathe, take stock and see a tree or a wood in-between the closely packed areas of Leeds is vital and we must preserve them and the wildlife which inhabit them, not just for me but for future generations. My son could grow up in any number of built up areas in Leeds but I want him to be able to appreciate the beauty of what is within his immediate surroundings. He has just turned one and I would love to step out of the front door, walk half a mile and be able to take him strawberry picking and more importantly be able to do this for years to come.

These sites should continue to be part of Leeds' 'Strategic Green Infrastructure' as identified in the Adopted Core Strategy.

It is my understanding that the proposed development sites are NOT consistent with the national policy, specifically with regard to 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. 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).

If any of this proposed development is allowed to go ahead, I am seriously concerned about the massive implications this will have on the area. The traffic and congestion in Horsforth is a huge problem and as I appreciate the improvements made to the roundabouts is a big help, I am amazed that someone is even considering reversing all of that hard work and the millions of pounds spent by suggesting that a 1,000+ new homes is a viable

idea in this area. They obviously haven't spent enough time here, or even care about this area. Then I guess that's the problem in a nutshell, this isn't about the people who live and work in these areas, it's about filling government quotas, which are simply numbers on paper.

Please, please, please listen to the concerns of the residents regarding the already bulging strain on the local infrastructure. Can we cope with 2,000+ more people who will need doctors, schools, parking? They will be adding to the congestion and unknowingly demolishing existing access to the countryside!!

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,

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