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Dear Sir

May I remind you that the proposal to include Green Belt land in the local plans is not consistent with the National Policy. Also the proposal to use this Strategic Green Infrastructure goes against the Leeds Core Policy.

With regards to the fields at Horsforth Campus **HG2-43** and the other fields adjacent to the A65, **HG2-12, HG3-2, HG3-3 and HG3-4** these are predominately Green belt, if not totally, and should remain so. One field in particular **HG2-41** is of great interest to many local people as a place where they can bring their children and grandchildren to pick fresh fruit and vegetables. Surely this is a valuable exercise in encouraging children to know where fresh food comes from and the benefits of it.

My concerns increase about site **HG2-41** because it is Green Belt land. The houses you propose to build will increase the volume of traffic as each house will have at least one car adding to the already polluted environment and will cause a huge increase in congestion around Horsforth. How much more can we take?

All the above sites being Green Belt, and many having trees growing in them, would mean that these would have to be felled to make way for the houses. The benefits and value of trees is well known for helping to cleanse the environment of pollution created by extremes of traffic.

In some parts of the U.K children are being moved from schools because of ill-health caused by heavy pollution. Some schools have been demolished in heavily polluted areas and new ones built in cleaner area. The high levels of pollution at the Tinsley Viaduct area of Sheffield, next to the M1, is one such area where pollution is affecting the health of the people - with a school more or less underneath the viaduct. The same would happen to the children if, as you propose, to build a school in the HG2-41 field, which is adjacent to the A65 which will have a massive increase of traffic with the knock-on effect of much more pollution.

Some of the houses to be built are supposed to be for 1st time buyers. With a reduction of 20% on say a £300,000.00 house, this still make it well beyond the reach of this group of people. This is not and can not be called affordable housing. Some small 2 bed town houses or 2 bed semis would be more appropriate instead of 3/4 bed detached with en-suites.

I do feel that these plans should be re-visited.

Yours faithfully

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