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**To:** [Site Allocations Plan](#)  
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Dear sirs,

I am writing to you as a Leeds man who has spent all his 69 years living in this beautiful city. We are unique in that being one of the major cities in Britain we have beautiful countryside on our doorstep. The city centre gradually blends into the outer greenery of fields and woodlands. This was one of the proud aspects of our environment which the world saw during the Tour de France.

The plans put forward for future development in Aireborough therefore are totally unacceptable. I therefore officially lodge my objection to the site listed above. I should point out that this particular site was defended as green field in 1994. The green fields and the trees are still the same as they were, what appears to have changed are the values and views of our governing council. An about turn which is so totally wrong when we look at the development of our city.

With the merging together of the various sites within the Aireborough corridor we will lose forever the gradual blend of city to countryside. I have no doubt the same will happen if we follow these policies whereby Leeds and Bradford will just become one vast built up conurbation.

In this day and age we seem to ignore conservation areas, green fields, trees and the home of our wild life. Why does this have to happen? When it is clear the community in all these areas are totally against the plans, is that what is called democracy? If it was based on a ballot the creators of this plan would certainly lose their deposit.

The infrastructure at this point in time in the area is hardly able to cope, with schools, doctors, dentists full to bursting. So what are the bright ideas going to do to solve which is already a serious problem? With regard to transport within the Aireborough corridor, it is an absolute shambles, the main roads have become car parks already making movement of cars, buses etc very slow on single track highways. This is a dangerous situation when it is so common on the main A65 route. One can only assume that we have absolutely no plans at this point in time to address these vital aspects of infrastructure.

Whilst this letter applies to the site quoted all the points I have made apply to each area of the site allocations plan for Aireborough because of the knock on effect with local problems.

Heaven knows why you want to disturb the green fields of heaven. Please think again on the very serious change of direction, when at the end of the day we are talking of the lives of people, families and communities which is possibly the main reason why Leeds is so great. Keep it that way and don't throw away this jewel which can be passed on to the next generation.

Yours sincerely,

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