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**To:** [Site Allocations Plan](#)  
**Subject:** PDE02009\_Objections for the proposed builds for Horsforth and Rawdon HG2-41 HG2-12 HG3-2, HG3-3  
HG-3-4 and link road for Airport  
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The above noted proposed developments are not justified my reasons are as below

The special landscape that Horsforth is known and loved for will be lost forever, by spoiling the open valley views which is a huge part of the character of Horsforth and Rawdon all the sites are within in Leeds city councils own designated special landscape, HG2-12 and HG2-41 would both have a particular negative visual impact

The Cragg Wood conservation area is just that a designated conservation area, building on this area would impact massively on the enshrined conservation area

The amount of greenbelt lost leaving nothing but another unplanned unneeded urban sprawl leaving Horsforth and Rawdon's village identities lost for ever blurring in to one concrete jungle, forever lost to those who walk, cycle, horse ride, nature watch, building these ridiculous houses would harm the nature and ecology Leeds country ways runs through HG2-12 and along side HG3-2 and HG3-3 a key recreational route again all parts are in LCCs own designated strategic green infrastructure area!!!

The A65 is already full and over capacity creating more developments is unsustainable and down right dangerous and would be a disaster for the area, there has already been more accidents and even more grid lock

This land is Grade 3 agricultural land the land lost in Rawdon hosts several farms that are major contributors to its employment the areas HG2-12, HG3-2 and HG2-41 are regularly farmed they are not brown sites they host small holdings bee keepers to name a few

Potential alternatives have been overlooked why is that ? Land should be built on that already has planning permission

Horsforth, Rawdon and Rodley will merge in to one, all three will lose their identity

Has the council worked with Bradford council to look at joint plans for bordering towns and villages?

Airport link road is a ridiculous money wasting idea that will ruin the very structure of Horsforth village, a buy up of farmers lands that are used for crops, cattle, people made to sell their lively hoods, people's houses and gardens destroyed, golf club and rugby club ruined for families, a lane turned in to a dual carriage way, a lane that wasn't and isn't supposed to be access to the airport

There are many many brown sites in and around Leeds Leeds city councils very own core strategy says brown sites used first why is this not been done?..... Building on green sites for maximum return for developers and the council it's very very wrong, and should not be even considered

Major flaws in the methodology of assessment to eg HG2-12 allocated even though sustainability appraisal is -7 the worst of all nearby sites, greenbelt asses

It shows greatest impact compared with other sites, yet HG2-12 is allocated while nearby sites safeguarded why is this???????

The council has not revised its housing target in response to ONS projections which would mean Leeds only needs 45,000 and not 70,000 on which the council has based its core strategy a reduction of just 15,000 houses would remove the need to take greenbelt land

The schools can not take anymore pupils there are no places for the children already in Horsforth

A planned extra 2500 houses is a possible extra 10,000 in a village that only has 18,258 living here already, there is no infrastructure capable of taking this possible amount of people

There was no consultation at all with regards HG2-12 prior to been allocated in any site allocation plan

HG2-12 not included in issues or options consultations at all NOT COMPLIANT with statement of community involvement a public consultation was held in 2013 it was not mentioned or put forward its a disgrace

This development was NOT positively prepared, the site allocations for these sites are NOT based on a comprehensive greenbelt review as required by the previous inspector when he passed the core strategy as sound why?

The selective and very much flawed greenbelt review undertaken by Leeds city council site allocation plans are UNSOUND

The site development is not in accordance with NPPF especially chapters 9 protecting greenbelt, 11 conserving natural environment and 12 conserving historical environment by not considering alternatives the council has gone against its very own exceptional circumstances which exist to outweigh the harm that the developers will do to the greenbelt sites...Leeds city council say that growth is the exceptional circumstances however government ministers disagree

The damage to wildlife flora and fauna is huge we have a plethora of wildlife, bats, newts, tawny owls, kites, sparrow Hawks, foxes, badgers to name but a few huge amount of trees with protection orders on them, not to mention the massive loss to our children and grand children, what is more important another mass urban sprawl or greenbelt that is enjoyed by all young and old

I whole heartedly object to any further builds of roads, houses, flats to the areas mentioned or any other greenbelt in this area

There are 4000 empty houses in Leeds, regeneration to areas that are struggling is the key, bring families back in to those areas, improve the standard of living in those areas so people can move back in, so not waste tax payers money on a road that will do no good, ruin the whole fabric of both Horsforth and Leeds, we have many many houses for sale in both villages we do not need or want anymore, it's purely a further profit making scheme nothing to do with needs for housing, the houses that have already been built at the vale are over 325,000 not even within first time or affordable budgets for those that need homes, it's nothing but a premium build proposal

So I ask you sir/madam to stop all the above proposals to our greenbelt land and to leave Horsforth and Rawdon as they are with the very fabric of what makes

both villages special its greenbelt land, farms and wild life

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