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Cc: [Collins, Cllr Dawn](#)  
Subject: PDE02088\_Stop Green Belt Development - Site HG2-41  
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**Dear Sirs,**

I write with regard to proposed development in particular at **Site HG2-41** which is a greenfield site and on which it is considered that 777 homes could be sited.

I wish to **oppose this development** in the strongest possible terms as I believe that it contravenes national policy and also Leeds Core Strategy in which the area is deemed to be "special landscape".

I understand that the fundamental aim of green belt policy is to prevent urban sprawl and maintain agricultural land, woodland and outdoor leisure close to urbanised areas. Should Site HG2-41 be accepted for development, not only would urbanisation close the green spaces between Horsforth and Rawdon but also between Horsforth and Rodley, thus removing a vast amount of well used opportunity for families to enjoy this semi-rural area close to their homes and on the edge of a conservation area.

As well as this abuse of Green Belt policy, I believe that issues for local residents should be considered equally seriously. When the Clariant site became vacant, I was disappointed that it was not maintained as a light industrial site which had merged well with the local community for years. However, as I could see the need for progress to be made to develop the derelict site, I supported the current development which is being pursued by Redrow Housing. As a result, my family life and comfort has been disrupted for more than 2 years already by the construction mess and noise and by roadworks from and close to my home. I foresee that this will continue for at least 2 more years. I believe that it is unreasonable therefore to expect this small community to accept further disruption to our area and comfort which potentially could stretch forward for many years to come. I cite The Human Rights Act, which asserts that "you have a right to enjoy your property peacefully" and insists that a public authority must follow a procedure to check that a fair balance has been struck between the public interest and the individual's right to their land.

**Yours sincerely,**

*Nigel Marriott*

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