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Good morning Sir/ Madam

Please find enclosed my objections to the proposals for housing development in Rawdon. Site ref HG2-12, HG2-41, HG3-2 , HG3-3, HG3-4.

I wish to object for the following reasons

1. This areas infrastructure is at breaking point at present. Without substantial investment in this area as well it simply cannot sustain this amount of new housing.
2. Why is the Council focussing on the Aireborough district of the city for development ? And in particular green field sites? In the Council housing sector the city is always treated as one area. In my view this should also apply to new housing development. A couple of miles down from Rawdon, the site around Kirkstall Lights is in dire need of redevelopment and regeneration. This is also not a green field site.
3. None of the recent housing developments in LS18 and 19 have been affordable for local people. What is needed is 1 or 2 bedroom affordable homes for young families or people looking to downsize. The developments on the site of the old Horsforth police station and chemical factory have provided none of this and with an average price of around £300,000, this is clearly out of the reach of most, especially young people.
4. As a local resident, I have not been made aware of the consultation by the Council and it is only through the hard work of the Rawdon Action group that I have been informed.
5. I was of the impression that that there was an onus on the council to build on brown/grey field sites around the city and this is clearly not the case here. With this in mind I would like to ask why the Council didn't carry out a comprehensive greenbelt review, as Ive been informed was the recommendation of the previous Inspector. He found the plan to be unsound, but the Council appear to have done nothing about this.
6. These are areas of natural beauty not to mention a sacred site. I have an emotional connection to the area as the ashes of all of my grandparents were scattered at the crematorium and I have grave concerns about the environmental impact of this development.

Many thanks  
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