

**From:**  
**To:** [Site Allocations Plan](#)  
**Subject:** PDE02166\_Fw: Objections to development sites HG2-12,41 & HG3-2,3,4.  
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--- On Wed, 10/11/15, Lynn Clayton <lynn\_clayton@ymail.com> wrote:

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- > Subject: Objections to development sites HG2-12,41 & HG3-2,3,4.
- > To: sap@leeds.gov.uk
- > Date: Wednesday, 28 October, 2015, 14:28
- > Not Justified:
- > The start of urban sprawl by building on green corridor
- > between Bradford and Leeds and obliterating open views,
- > especially at HG2-12 and HG2-41. Rawdon Cragg Wood
- > conservation area would be lost to HG3-3 despite being part
- > of LCC's 'Strategic Green Infrastructure'. Where would we
- > walk when it was gone?
- > Wild-life habitats around ancient Ghyll Beck would be lost,
- > despite HG2-12, HG3-3 and HG3-4 being part of UK
- > Biodiversity Action Plan. Bluebell woods and mature woodland
- > would go forever, along with several farms at Rawdon - major
- > employers in the village. HG2-12, HG3-2 and HG2-41 are
- > farmed at present.
- > The development would cause problems for the A65, including
- > gridlock at the ringroad, not to mention being dangerous.
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- > Overlooked Alternatives:
- > Brownfield sites, which LCC says must be developed before
- > greenbelt. Also, the council has ignored corrections in the
- > housing target which has been calculated at 45,000, not
- > 70,000 as formerly. this adjustment removes the need to
- > build on greenbelt.
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- > Limited Highways Access:
- > Only one access point via Southlands Ave for HG2-12. Other
- > roads inadequate for 130 extra houses. Knotts Lane, even if
- > realigned for HG2-12, HG3-2 and HG3-3, would not solve
- > access issues onto A65. Also flooding at HG2-12 may make
- > site undeliverable.
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- > Not Legally Compliant:
- > No prior consultation over HG2-12.
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- > Not Positively Prepared:
- > Plans not based on comprehensive review but a selective one,
- > making site allocations unsound. Neither is it in accordance
- > with NPPF, esp: Protecting Greenbelt (Ch9), and Consulting
- > over Environment (Ch 11). In order to ignore these guidelines
- > the council has used 'growth' as an exceptional
- > circumstance, refusing to acknowledge their flawed
- > calculations.

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