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To whom it may concern,

It appears for some reason my last objection has bounced back so I hope this one registers.

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I write to you to plead that someone in the powers that be listen to the community and do something to help our area, to protect our green belt land and prevent the development on this site. I bought Low Hall almost 9 years ago, a property that is well documented, that is steeped in history, that has been well documented in history books, in magazines and has been the residence of some incredible people in history as well has many impressive guests, not least allegedly Mary Queen of Scotts whose portrait is in several of the stain glass original windows, alongside other who have stayed such as Winston Churchill who used the house for private meetings during the war.

Although it is my home I have opened my gates to the public from local historical societies and welcome this and for anyone else who will benefit from visiting such a wonderful property. I am privileged to live here but see my role as someone to protect it and not talk of simply being the owner. I enjoy the community I live in but the infrastructure is already struggling to cope beyond sensible levels, it takes me often 30 – 45 minutes to take my children to school (Bronte House) less than a few miles away due to the unbelievable traffic already on our roads.

This land was successfully protected once previously around 1994 I believe and it was our local council who helped and remarked of the value in preserving our local community, our heritage, our greenbelt and yet today I fear they may be being encouraged to support development in some cases because of targets and the ease on green belt as opposed to brown belt.

I do not believe the consultation period has been handled particularly well. I recognise it is difficult but more should have been done. The development would remove the boundary between nether Yeadon and Guiseley, merging the areas.

The area is now adjacent to a conservation area and my property will be significantly affected by this development, the land will affect my grounds, selfishly my property will be affected with people overlooking a very private estate, the house will no longer have the views of the land that once belonged to it and the historical site will lose much of its appeal. I feel I will have failed the house and may as well leave the area.

The land which I have rented has live stock on it that the local community enjoy seeing, the land

has many wild species of insect, newts, frogs, heron's, owls, bats, birds of prey and even woodpeckers have been sighted that all inhabit the area and the land itself. The urban sprawl would be so disappointing and damaging.

I am not sure if the listed building in the area of which there are numerous have been taken into consideration, I don't believe they have as they haven't been mentioned in the reports to the best of my knowledge.

I would do almost anything to protect this land and our area to retain the greenbelt and the community that benefits from these areas. I would happily allow more public access for people to appreciate the area and my property in particular, but building on the land would be so damaging and once it is approved there is no going back, it is destroyed forever and it would be a huge shame and sacrilege in my opinion to English heritage, coupled with incredibly damaging to the local area with major consequences on the local community, the pressure on the schooling, the doctors, the roads and infrastructure to mention but a few affected areas.

I hope the right decision is made.

Yours faithfully

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