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To: [Site Allocations Plan](#)
Subject: PDE02484_Leeds Site Allocation Plans - Formal Objection to Site Ref: HG2-10 (1221)
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Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing to **object** to the proposed development of the above referenced site on Gill Lane and the A65. It is my understanding that the proposed site is not consistent with the national policy, specifically with regard to Greenbelt land. Leeds City Council should seek to protect these green fields which are Greenbelt and by law should only be used in exceptional circumstances.

This Greenbelt space is important to me because I live locally, and enjoy walking just a very short distance from my home I literally feel I am in the countryside surrounded by historic pasture land with beautiful mature trees, home to all manner of wildlife. (I have even seen Dear roaming in the fields you plan to build on) If these areas are used for building developments where will all the wildlife go?

Its not just the pleasure gained from looking at the green fields, these areas are crucial to the health and well being of our community. This is I am informed, the last farmland along the A65 for 4 miles! Does the council think it acceptable to use all our green spaces??

I have lived in this area all my life and seen the A65 become ever busier. Traveling in either direction in the rush hour is already a nightmare, the dentists and doctors surgeries are full and our schools are at full capacity. There is no infrastructure in place to accommodate this latest development in a long line of housing developments already built in recent years.

I understand the need to build more affordable housing but there are many brownfield sites that should be used first. & why not re develop the old derelict mills on Green Lane ? Also, the housing target of 70,000 on which the council has based its core strategy is incorrect and greatly overestimated. Despite ONS projections of 45,000, the council has refused to revise the original figure of 70,000!

I understand that the Traffic Survey was done during the school Holidays (How convenient for you) I strongly suggest you re survey this area during school term time.

The proposals are effectively an unnecessary loss of green belt and the destruction of our local environment is not acceptable. I therefore ask you to please reconsider. Please keep me informed of any future hearings as I would like to attend.

Regards

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