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RE: Public Consultation Feedback – for Leeds and Airedale Site Allocation Plans

To whom it may concern:

I wish to raise objections to the following protected green belt sites, listed within your Leeds and Airedale Site Allocation Plans; and ask that they should be removed from the selection process:

Proposed Green Belt Sites that I wish to protect include:

HG2-144 // HG2-63 // HG2-69 // HG2-81 // HG2-72 // HG2-159// HG2-136 //
HG2-123 // HG2-28 // HG2-38 // HG2-17 // HG2-16 // HG2-119 // HG2-36 //
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HG2-170 // G2-132 // HG2-133 // HG2-128 // HG2-166 // HG2-167 // HG2-171
// HG2-153 // HG2-165 // HG2-186 // HG2-81 // HG2-15

My grounds for opposition include the following considerations from the National Planning Policy Framework:

1. Housing targets are not an exceptional circumstance needed for destruction of green belt
2. There is a major lack of road development and infrastructure in the areas in which they are located
3. Leeds City Council's housing targets should be met by brownfield site development alone
4. The green belt needs to provide habitats for wildlife and protect them from isolation
5. The above green belt provides us with a method to access and enjoy the countryside
6. If required, the housing target should be capped in line with the need to

protect green belt sites

7. Large proposed green belt sites do not justify proposed development, in advance of brownfield
8. The above green belts provide separation between the communities which they divide
9. The above sites provide me with unique landscapes and views which I do not want to lose
10. There has been inadequate co-ordination with local councils to share housing targets
11. There has been inadequate pressure on developers to build on existing brownfield sites

Furthermore I think it is an absolute travesty that you are even considering building so many houses on beautiful green belt areas and areas of such beautiful countryside against the wishes of the local population. The Green belt was put aside as a heritage for us all, our children and our children's children and should not be squandered lightly.

DCLG: "Councils should protect green belt land"

The Department for Communities and Local Government has reaffirmed the Government's commitment to protect the green belt from development by publishing an update to the Planning Policy Guidance. Published on 6th October 2014, the new guidance is an addition of two paragraphs under the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment section of the Planning Policy Guidance.

In paragraph 044 the new guidance considers whether housing and economic needs override constraints on the use of green belt. The guidance now states **that green belt boundaries should only be altered in "exceptional cases" through the preparation or review of the Local Plan.** The paragraph also states that the NPPF should be read "as a whole" and local plans should not just take into account "need only", but also consider the impact on areas such as Birds and Habitats Directives, land designated as Green belt, Local Green Space, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Heritage Coast or within a National Park or the Broads, designated heritage assets, and locations at risk of flooding.

English Heritage has found the proposals to be unsound.

It is incumbent upon you to take regard of the local people and their localities and your plans clearly do not do this, both in terms of planning to build so many house on beautiful landscapes in the first place, but also by the very nature of the short timescale consultations. Quite frankly you are making these neighbourhoods far more congested and urban places to live, spoiling the long standing lives of thousands of people.

Please keep me informed of the outcome and process for de-selecting the green belt sites, in line with my wishes, shown above.

Yours faithfully,

Heather

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