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**Subject:** PDE03224\_Fwd: Protesting against the new housing to be built on local greenbelt sites in Rawdon  
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**From:** **Matthew Yeomans** <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** Sun, Nov 15, 2015 at 10:46 PM  
**Subject:** Protesting against the new housing to be built on local greenbelt sites in Rawdon  
**To:** [sap@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:sap@leeds.gov.uk)

Dear Sir/Madam,

There are a number of problems with building on the sites in Rawdon and Horsforth, HG3-2, HG3-3, HG3-4, HG2-12, HG2-41 and HG1-96.

One of the issues that upsets me the most is that the wildlife that include the roe deer that we see regularly in the field behind our house or the foxes that are seen coming from Red Beck almost every morning, on a night time there are bats that would not be able to feed as there will not be enough food for the population to survive and the trees in which they roost being cut down to make way for housing. Bats are protected. There are also hedgehogs that would be more likely to die with an increase of traffic and a loss of habitat. Hedgehogs are becoming more endangered.

The traffic would also become increasingly worse as the A 65 would not be able to cope with the amount of cars passing over it everyday. The traffic frequently queues from Well Lane all the way down to Horsforth roundabout and the journey could take around 40 -50 minutes. The local schools also would not be able to cope as many of the new families will have children that need to be educated in the already oversubscribed schools. I swim at John Charles Centre for Sport and on a morning at 4.30am it takes no more than 20 minutes to get from my house to the pool. On an evening, because of the traffic, it often takes over an hour. The Ring Road and A65 in the morning (on my way back from training) and on an evening from around 4.30pm are at a standstill with horrendous queues.

If the above sites are built on it is building on Green belt sites and it would cause urban sprawl, Horsforth and Rawdon would get closer together, there are only a few fields that separate them at the moment and with the proposed airport link road this would be even less. There are a few brownfield sites that could be built on before if it was absolutely necessary like the one on Green Lane in Yeadon and the old Kirkstall forge site at the bottom of Horsforth.

There aren't enough schools, doctors, dentists, fire services, police and hospitals and other services to deal with the extra people that would live in the area.

Please consider all the above points. Thank you for taking the time to read my email.

Yours faithfully

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