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Re. Leeds Site Allocation Plans – Formal Objection

Dear Sir/Madam

In the context of the public consultation process regarding the Leeds Site Allocation Plans, I wish to register my objections to the proposed development of the following sites:

HG2-41 (4240) – Fields south of A65 from Horsforth roundabout to Rawdon Crematorium
HG2-42 (1016) – Fields at Broadway and Calverley Lane, Horsforth
HG2-43 (5009) – Conservation area at Park Lane College Campus, Horsforth

It is my understanding that development of these sites would be **inconsistent** with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) on green belt boundaries, which “should only be altered in ‘exceptional circumstances’”. I believe that development of them would also run **counter to** the tenets of the Leeds Core Strategy on Green Belt. These areas are important to me because they are the only tracts of countryside accessible on foot from where I live and give a sense of well-being, providing essential respite from an otherwise unbroken vista of houses and buildings. They also represent a clear demarcation between the areas of Horsforth, Rodley and Rawdon and developing on them would be tantamount to merging these three communities and depriving them of their distinctive characters.

It is also my understanding that the proposed development of these sites would NOT be consistent with the national policy on infrastructure. Development and infrastructure requirements must be considered side by side. I came away from the drop-in session at Horsforth Mechanics Institute on 3 October with the distinct impression that Leeds has insufficient policies in place to address the issues that these developments will generate, particularly with regard to traffic problems. The recently completed work on the Horsforth roundabout and the Rodley roundabout has delivered only the smallest improvement to the flow of traffic at **current levels**. It has done nothing to alleviate the huge queues in every direction at peak times.

Please keep me informed of the public examinations, submission of the plans and potential outcome of the review as I would like to retain my right to attend and speak.

Yours faithfully,

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