

PDH00082

I wish to object to certain of your building plans.

1. I feel your plans are incorrect, in that you are planning for more houses than are called for. Your target of 70,000 houses by 2028 is excessive and unfair to the residents of Leeds, especially to those in certain areas.

One reason for this latter problem is that you are failing to plan to use Brownfield sites and simply choosing the outlying and easily moveable outskirts.

‘Open land around cities (should be) permanently open or largely undeveloped.’

2. HG2-41, HG2-42, HG2-43

In the Horsforth area, these plans are not justified. Schools and other amenities are stretched already.

Also the roads are impossible at peak times – see the problems on the new improved roundabout at Horsforth and the ring road.

And your promises to include a new school in a section of the planned sites will of course only exacerbate this road situation.

3. Plans to develop site HG2-41 are in Greenbelt and will cause the merging of Rawdon and Horsforth, whilst losing more of our valuable Green Belt. As you know, this sort of action is against the NPPF and also against your own strategy. I realise this sort of site is easier for you to move, but it is very wrong. Focus on Brownfield!

4. The permitted extensions to Leeds Trinity University are already causing parking chaos in that area of Horsforth. It is now madness for plans to escalate this parking problem even further.

5. HG2-43

Many years ago, it was found necessary to block off the top end of Calverley Lane to the ring road (i.e. from New Road Side) because of the excessive traffic build-up.

HG2-43, even with a new road into the ring road lower down, would cause great traffic problems in Calverley Lane and New Road Side and the roundabout again, making this is a very ill-thought out idea.

What is more, the site is in Green Belt and part of it is even a nature reserve.

I urge you to reconsider these plans.

Yours Faithfully

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