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Dear Sirs,

Re plans to build on Green Belt land
between Horsforth & Leeds.

I am particularly concerned that

a) The plans are not consistent with national policy and it does not enable the delivery of sustainable development with the NPFF.

b) The council has not revised its out of date housing target. Statistics based on revised ONS projections means the city needs 45,000 new houses not 10,000 therefore there is not the need to build on Green Belt land.

I have lived in Rawdon for fifty one years and I am most concerned about building on HG3-2 because in the mid seventies (1970's) an unknown well pit suddenly opened up causing a very large hole (Children had been sledging there the previous day). Since Rawdon is on the edge of the Horsforth Coal Field many more of these well pits would have been dug but they were not recorded. How many more are

in this field and neighbouring fields?

I am particularly concerned about the following sites

HG 2-12,

HG 3-3

HG 3-2

HG 3-4

These are all to exit on to the A 65 which already congested and will be made worse if 777 houses are built on HG 2-41 site

I know the areas of HG 3-2 and HG 12 very well because I have walked over them many times and enjoyed seeing the bluebells, the roe deer, bats, tawny owls, sparrow hawks and curlews and enjoyed hearing the wood peckers. All these will be lost if building is allowed. This is Green Belt land and are shown as Strategic Green Infrastructures within Leeds Core Strategy as is HG 2-41.

Brownfield sites in other parts of Leeds should be used instead of Greenbelt and Greenfields in this area.

Yours faithfully,

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT			
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