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Dear Sir/Madam

Green Belt development in Horsforth and Rawdon

I refer to the recently published site allocations for building at the following sites:

HG2-41 Fields south of A65, Horsforth roundabout to Rawdon crematorium  
HG2-42 Fields at Broadway and Calverley Lane, Horsforth  
HG2-43 Fields at Horsforth College campus  
HG2-12 Fields at Woodlands Drive, Rawdon  
HG3-2, HG3-3 and HG3-4 Fields off A65 Rawdon

I would like to take this opportunity to object and voice my unease at the above proposed planning applications.

Whilst most people accept that more housing is required, I doubt that these developments will deliver the affordable homes which are necessary. These are just easy ways for the developers to make large profits in an area that has become desirable because it still has such wonderful green space around.

There has already been a number of recent developments, one still to be completed at the Kirkstall Forge site and one on the old Clariant site along with the expansion of Trinity University, which all have added greatly to the increase in traffic in and around Horsforth along with a vast increase in litter and random vandalism.

Recent changes to the Ring Road have not had the desired effect of reducing congestion, with all the major commuter routes into and out of Leeds at full capacity already. Getting in and out of homes and estates is already a constant problem due to this congestion and the lack of parking spaces. People have to allow an increasing amount of time to get to and from their places of work, not least because the public transport is woefully inadequate.

Horsforth and the surrounding areas have already suffered from inappropriate development and now we risk losing Green Belt land which is there to improve quality of life for all. Once this resource has gone it can never be replaced.

Please listen to the concerns of local people as it will be their lives that will be greatly affected by these proposals.

Yours sincerely

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