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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT			
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53 Victoria Walk
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Date: 29th October

Dear Sir,

I am writing in response to the Leeds Site allocation Plan. I am very concerned about the following sites:

- HG2-41 Fields South of A65,Horsforth Roundabout to the 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&HG3-4 Fields off A65,Rawdon

The proposal to include these development sites in the local plan is not consistent with National Policy. These sites are Green belt and the Government attaches great importance to Greenbelts.

As a walker this loss of green belt is detrimental to our well being. Neighbouring towns would merge into each other eg Guiseley, Menston and Rawdon into Horsforth.This loss of green belt would destroy the green corridor along our side of the Aire Valley,plus the character of the area around Bar Lane is an ancient route. As a walker the loss of large mature trees will be devastating for the area. Wild life thrives in this area and we have seen many Roe deer when we have been walking, not to mention the various species of birds which enjoy this area.You need to recognise the wider benefits of the ecosystem and protect a valued landscape.

The effect of all the extra traffic along the A65 needs to be considered on an already congested A65, not to mention the pollution this will cause. The traffic surveys do not take into account possible developments in Bradford and Aireborough.

Furthermore the proposal to includethese sites is not consistant with the national planning policy framework.Leeds city council has already identified land between theA65 and the river aire as strategic green infrastructure in its core policy document...This has been approved by an independent inspector.

The NPPF states that only in exceptional circumstances should local authorities consider using green belt for housing development.

Yours sincerely