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LDF Publication Draft Consultation,
Forward Planning and Implementation,
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2, Rossington Street,
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Dear Sir,

With reference to Site: HG2 - 17 (1080 & 3367A)

I wish to make the following points:

- 1) The Leeds Road A660 is already under stress at peak times and this is having a serious impact upon residents of Bramhope, particularly those of us who live on the 'Birches'. The traffic heading towards Leeds, backs up from the roundabout at Kings Road in a solid mass, frequently as far as the pedestrian crossing. Traffic heading towards Otley is accelerating away from the roundabout, drivers often forgetting to cancel their left indicator, thus giving the impression, that they are about to turn into the 'Birches', resulting in potential danger to themselves and anyone who pulls out in front of them. To add an estimated 800 vehicles into this short stretch of road will only add to the problem. The volume of traffic not only affects drivers and cyclists but pedestrians who need to cross the road to reach the bus stop.
- 2) Local identity is important; a sense of place and belonging and this was recognised when the concept of Green Belt Land was established. A buffer between settlements to stop urban sprawl. These site plans take away this provision, along with a green field corridor. Surely, Leeds can provide enough land in the form of brown field sites and more sustainable sites than the ones proposed in Bramhope.
- 3) Finally; one has to ask whether the infra-structure of Bramhope can cope with this large influx of families, placing additional strain on an already stressed Health Centre and school.

Yours faithfully,

Peter Graham Nash