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To Leeds Council Planning Dept.

I would like to object most strongly to Leeds Council's allocation of housing to the following numbered sites which are all on GREEN BELT LAND.

- H G 2 - 41 Fields south of A65-Horsforth roundabout to Cematorium
- H G 2 - 42 Fields at Broadway and Calverley Lane, Horsforth
- H G 2 - 43 Fields at Horsforth College Campus
- H G 2 - 12 Fields at Woodlands Drive, Rawdon
- H G 3 - 2, 3 & 4 Fields off the A65, Rawdon.

This is in contradiction to the policy of Central Government as set out in their core strategy Document "that at no time should Green Belt be used for housing allocation".

Also it is ~~against~~ the policy of Leeds Council's own core strategy Document so why this change to propose exactly the opposite. What are the reasons for this change of mind? Statistics show that the Leeds council have over estimated the number of the population in the next twenty years and that only 45,000 properties in Leeds instead of 60,000 overall would be necessary.

These mentioned Green Belt sites cannot be justified for the following reasons: -

1. Green areas and open valley views would be lost. H63-3 is within Cragg Wood Conservation area and the Leeds country way footpath runs through H62-12 this limiting green space for recreation.
2. Areas alongside the A65, an already busy and dangerous road could cause continual grid locking of this highway.
3. There is insufficient infrastructure to cover the needs of what would be an increase in population numbers needing shops, schools and health service practices. The promise of a new school by developers of H62-41 is probably never going to happen as they never volunteer all the necessary money. Why can't Horsforth Park Lane College be used for a new Primary school since it is already a base for Education? Horsforth Primary schools are all presently full.
4. Rich farmland would be lost and with it employment in the area.
5. Wildlife habitats would be severely affected.

I would hope that these comments and objections will be seriously considered.