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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT			
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Dear Sirs

**Leeds Site Allocation Plan -  
Public Consultation**

With reference to the above, and as a local resident living close to the proposed developments I am extremely concerned about the impact the proposed development will have on protected greenbelt land insofar as the negative impact on our standard of living and should therefore be excluded from the plans. Therefore, please take this letter as my formal objection to the proposed development of the following sites as detailed below:-

- HG2-41(4240) - A65 from Horsforth Roundabout to Rawdon Crematorium**
- HG2 -42 (1016) – Fields to Broadway & Calverley Lane, Horsforth**
- HG2-43 (5009) – Fields at Horsforth College Campus**

The GREEN BELT sites mentioned above are TOTALLY unsuitable for redevelopment . The A65 is the one major road going through Horsforth and is already much too busy and inadequate for the number of housing / population that it serves. The opening of a new rail station will not make significant difference to traffic on the A65 should these developments go ahead on the scale proposed. The rail station will very quickly become inadequate to serve all the extra residents that these proposals would mean as the only access in and out is the already much too busy A65. A further 1,000 cars plus will make this road unusable as there are no plans to solve the CURRENT problems on this road. The bottleneck on the stretch of road between Kirkstall and Horsforth on New Road Side has been, and continues to be, ignored again.

Having to rely on access from my home onto the A65 on a daily basis, the congestion is already a headache and any more housing with the potential of further traffic will have an unbelievably detrimental effect on all residents along this road. There are no plans

Furthermore, being a resident of Horsforth for over 20 years, it is vitally important that we maintain the community that has taken many years to establish. Further housing on this scale will diminish this and Horsforth as we know it will be lost forever. The dividing lines between Horsforth, Rawdon and Rodley will disappear should this development go ahead which means there will be loss of individual identity. A scenario which will have significant implications on the well-being of the residents of these areas which are now enjoyed, will be lost forever.

The so called 'Strawberry Fields' site is vitally important to Horsforth. In this age of teaching our children the importance of nature and habitat, showing our children sites such as this that everyone can enjoy – from picking the strawberries to enjoy, to showing how they are grown etc. This site is GREEN BELT for a reason – we Must keep this site as not only a tool to education, but also to protect the habitat of the many birds and animals that rely on areas such as this for their existence.

In essence, there are so many BROWN sites that could be developed all around Leeds. WE MUST KEEP GREEN BELT – IT IS A NECESSITY not a luxury!!!

With regard to extra schools that will be required to accommodate the extra population that developments on this scale will be required – who will be responsible for building these? As far as I can see the developers have made no proposal to take on this responsibility.

The sheer scale of the proposed building will have such a detrimental effect on Horsforth and surrounding areas, I can honestly see no

I would be grateful if you would please keep me informed of the public examinations and the submission of the plans, together with the potential outcome of the review, as I would like to retain my right to attend and speak.

Yours faithfully

Mrs G Williamson