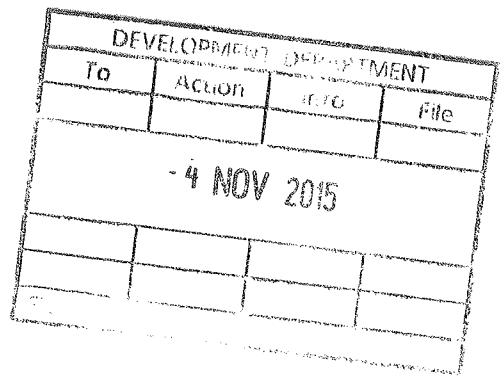


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Dear Sirs,

Site HG2-15 (3400) Land at Greenacres Moor Road Bramhope 42 Houses
Site HG2-16 (1002) Land to the rear of 45 Creskeld Lane 23 Houses
Site HG2-17 (1080 & 3367A) Breary Lane East/Leeds Road 376 Houses

I wish to object to the soundness of the above applications generally, prior to specific points relating to individual sites. They all fail to comply with paragraph 158 of the NPPF requiring that the local plan is based on adequate, up to date and relevant evidence about the economic, social and environmental characteristics and prospects of the area. The census figures appear to show population growth was less than expected, thus the Core Strategy and Site Allocation Plan is based on inadequate and unsound evidence.

Bramhope's population as a percentage of the Outer North West population is 4% yet the SAP provides for an allocation of 449 houses out of a total for Outer North West of 2000 which is 22.5%. This impact on a village identified as a smaller settlement is disproportionate, unjustified and not in accordance with the Core Strategy in a number of respects.

Generally the Site Allocation Plan for Bramhope fail to comply with objectives 8,11,17 21 set out in para 3.3 of the Core Strategy

Site 1 HG 2-15 Greenacres This green field site is situated on a narrow road wholly inappropriate for access and egress of up to 100 extra vehicles per day. There is no infrastructure, employment and facilities in the area to support the development without journeys in a private vehicle. There is no fare paying public transport on this road. There would be adverse environmental impact and unacceptable loss of green site.

Site 2 HG2-16 Rear of 45 Creskeld Lane

Part of this site lies within the Conservation Area, and is therefore unsound. Paragraph 126 of the NPPF requires Local Plans to set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Large scale development will cause environmental impact. There is no Public Transport facility and no prospect of any. The infrastructure is inadequate.

Site 3 HG"-17 Breary Lane East/Leeds Road

This site is an unsound allocation, the majority of the site adjoins the boundary of the Conservation Area with the fields at the Northern End of the site lying within the designated area. The Conservation Area Appraisal, identifies key mid-distance views, across this site from the Conservation Area. Paragraph 126 of the NPPF requires Local Plans to set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. The Council has a duty under the provisions of S72 of the Planning(Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to pay 'special attention' to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of its Conservation Areas. The West Yorkshire Archeological Society Report indicated Roman artefacts buried, and required a survey. The site development would be nothing more than urban sprawl.

I am opposed to a development which if implemented, would turn the village into a small town with a 25% increase in housing stock. This would be without any infrastructure addition, medical facilities or employment prospects. The one School currently in the Village is full currently, with no space for additional teaching. Due to the above, in excess of a thousand vehicles would be using the already overcrowded A660. Without a credible public transport plan in place, any additional development on the A660 is unwelcome.

Yours Faithfully

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