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Dear Sirs

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT			
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**Site Allocation Consultation - particularly Rawdon, Horsforth & Guiseley**

It is because there are acres and acres – hectares and hectares – of brownfield sites available in Leeds which can be used for housing development that I am opposed to any such building on Green Belt, green fields or any undeveloped land. Not only would such development betray the people of Leeds and future generations, it would be in contravention of national policy (NPPF) and the council's own Core Strategy. The Council is throughout Leeds going for the easy option, that preferred by developers, and so would repeat the mistakes of the twentieth century.

It is well-known in Leeds that the Council is hugely overestimating housing needs. That apart, what housing is required should only be permitted on previously used land. The green spaces between our suburbs and villages are the lungs of Leeds. One generation should not be allowed to destroy such.

I particularly object to the proposals regarding Rawdon, where I live, and the surrounding area. The proposal to build on the area between Rawdon and the ring road at Horsforth (HG2-41 and HG2-12 and HG3-2/3/4) would destroy the green space between Rawdon and Horsforth. This surely contravenes all national and local guidelines.

Similarly the area around Gill Lane separates Rawdon from Westfield and should not be developed (HG2-10).

The A65 is already a nightmare. Further housing would add to the delays and problems which the people of the area daily experience.

Further housing development in Leeds should only proceed on brownfield sites. The Council's function should be to ensure such and so protect the present and future residents of the city.

Yours faithfully

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