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PLANNING DEPARTMENT		
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34 Hawkstone Avenue  
Guseley

Jeeds

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11th November 2015

Dear Sir

Re site 40-20 HG24 Hawkstone Avenue  
Hollins Hill.

As a resident of Hawkstone Avenue Guseley I am very concerned about the site plan 40-20 Hawkstone Avenue / Hollins Hill also called HG2-4 and wish to object to these plans on the grounds that it is apparent that little if any attention has been paid to the fact there is no access to this site which is 'wetland' according to Cllr Latty at the Public Consultation meeting on the 8th October 2015. He also went on to say it would be a long, expensive process to get planning permission for sites such as 4020.

Hawkstone 'estate' residents, like all the councillors including Cllr Latty, Wadsworth (Guseley + Rawdon ward) Cllr Townsend, Davies + Pollard (Baldon ward) who have penned their name to a letter in the 'Wharfedale observer' dated Thursday 8th November 2015 headed 'Local Planning Failings' agree that 'the local plans for the two cities do not do enough to maintain the 'green belt' between the two cities' (Jeeds + Bradford).

'National planning policy is very clear why we need greenbelt'

- 1- 'to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built up areas'
- 2 'to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another' which would happen if site H0-20 went ahead'
- 3 'to ~~and~~ assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment'
- 4 'to preserve the setting and special character of historic towns'
- 5 'to assist in urban regeneration by encouraging the recycling of derelict and urban land'

Like the penned councillors I agree that Leeds and Bradford in developing their local plans, haven't taken full account of these purposes and fear (like all Hawkstone estate residents) site plan H0-20 will result in virtual elimination of vital 'greenbelt' between Leeds + Bradford. As a resident of Hawkstone Avenue I went along with 'Bradford and Leeds city council' to take action that will protect this green belt site and use Brownfield first as suggested by Cllr Ryle Downes at the public consultation meeting 8/10/2015. As there is no access to site H0-20 - if access were to be gained via Hawkstone Avenue, the roads are too narrow for the traffic a housing estate would generate. The traffic problem would have a knock on

effect into Guseley - many of the roads including Park Road would become gridlocked at peak times + weekends. This was confirmed by Cllr Pylt Downes at the public consultation meeting 8/10/2015 who said 'The infrastructure in Cleveborough can't keep up with the current traffic OR after any Bradford developments (in their site allocations plan) either (let alone after another 2366 houses here)'. Cllr Jatty at the meeting also said 'The infrastructure can't cope now and no improvements will be made to make it cope with all these houses'. The schools in Guseley are all ready full, doctor/dentists have waiting list, jobs are very limited in the area - building more houses will not help the area only hinder it and take away any 'green belt'. There are no exceptional circumstances to building on 'green belt' and as Stuart Andrew MP said at the public consultation meeting - 'making a housing target does not constitute releasing 'wetland' green belt to developers'.

No to site 110-20 MG2-4 Hawkstone Avenue / Hollens Hill.

Yours