

Re: Leeds Site Allocation Plans Leeds City Council

I write in response and objection to the following site references for the reasons listed below.

MG 2 - 41 (4240)

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Sustainability The required housing target numbers are not accurate as they are based on old data from 2011 which has since been updated. The revised figure is 45,000 NOT 70,000 and there are 25,000 already passed for planning development but awaiting development. The sites listed above comprise the total of the green boundary between Horsforth and Rawdon and will exacerbate urban sprawl, with a loss of green area for future generations, and Biodiversity.

Justification These green belt sites form one third of the total North Leeds Allocation - a disproportionate area.

Lack of Positive Preparation No appropriate traffic surveys have been conducted on the A65 and the only crossing over the river Aire which are the roads that must take the proposed increase in traffic.

Infrastructure There is no argument sustainable which relies on conditions attached to passing plans for development because historically large developers with conditions attached have consistently gone back using legal expertise to get conditions changed once building is underway e.g. Clariant

Horsforth, High Road, Menston, Corn Mill development

Horsforth. They consistently DO NOT DELIVER.

Consultation and Process This has been extremely limited. There has been only one Drop-In Session which was poorly advertised, difficult to find with no external signing. Experts were unavailable for questions and staff present were not able to answer many questions. Maps were displayed but these were confusing and inconsistent as were the printed hand-outs available. There has been no open meeting i.e. Question and Answer session locally with our Councillors or any Councillors to discuss the Plans. The website given was confusing with reference numbers of the sites NOT given.

The Plans are NOT consistent with National

Policy They are against NPPF and NPPG and not consistent with their guidance. Once established Green Belt boundaries should only be altered in exceptional circumstances.

What are these exceptional circumstances in this case? Have Leeds fully researched other possible sites e.g. brownfield sites, regeneration, recycled land, etc. There is no evidence of this. What about the backlog

of 25,000 houses already passed but awaiting development? Furthermore these plans are inconsistent with LCC own policy

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