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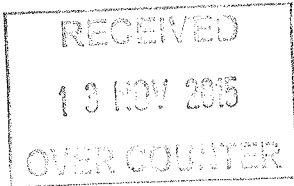
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Dear Sirs,

LEEDS DRAFT SITE ALLOCATIONS PLAN CONSULTATION 2015.

After considering information provided about the above consultation, I wish to object to the loss of Green Belt at this stage of the Local Plan; taking land out of Green Belt should not be done before the Leeds Local Plan has reached its halfway point on 1st April 2020, after a formal review of its progress. This is to avoid unnecessary loss of Green Belt if the rate of new development, especially the building of dwellings, falls well short of LDF Core Strategy target numbers.

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) paragraph 79 says "the essential characteristics of Green Belts are their openness and their permanence"; para 83 says "once established, Green Belt boundaries should only be altered in exceptional circumstances, through the preparation or review of the Local Plan. At that time, authorities should consider the Green Belt boundaries having regard to their intended permanence in the long term, so that they should be capable of enduring beyond the plan period". Leeds City Council must take this into account.

(Signed)

Also, I wish to make comments on the following individual sites which are identified by name and by Site Allocations Plan reference number if they have one.

WITH REGARD TO HG2147, I DO NOT BELIEVE THE HOUSING NEEDS OF THE AREA WILL BE MET BY THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT. LEEDS NEEDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WITH PARTICULAR REGARD TO YOUNGER BUYERS AND THEIR ABILITY TO BUY. FURTHERMORE, THERE ARE MANY BROWN SITES IN AND AROUND LEEDS WHICH ARE CRYING OUT FOR DEVELOPMENT. I KNOW IT MAY COST MORE BUT WHAT PRICE GREEN BELT WHEN IT IS ALL GONE? SHORT TERM, PROFIT DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT IS NOT THE SOLUTION AND WILL FURTHER DISTORT THE HOUSING MARKET AND FURTHER STRAIN AN ALREADY OVERWORKED INFRASTRUCTURE.

Note: comments can be sent on-line to www.leeds.co.uk/yourcity, or by e-mail to sap@leeds.gov.uk. Comments, whether electronic or on paper, must be received by Leeds not later than 5pm on Monday 16th November 2015. Preferably, comments should quote the reference number and name of the allocation site to which they refer, if it has any, such as HG2-149, Laneside Farm. There is no limit to the number of sites which can be commented on. Please continue overleaf and add more sheets of paper if needed. Anonymous comments cannot be accepted by Leeds, so always give clearly your name and postal or e-mail address.