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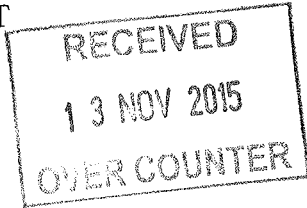
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DATE 11/11/2015



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.

- HG 2147 - LAND BEHIND HIGHFIELD DRIVE.
- 1) IF HOUSES ARE BUILT HERE THAT WILL INCREASE THE NUMBER OF VEHICLES USING HIGHFIELD DRIVE, PARTICULARLY IF FAMILIES HAVE MORE THAN ONE CAR. THE MAIN ROAD THROUGH THE VILLAGE IS GRID LOCKED AT RUSH HOURS (MORNING AND NIGHT). ALSO THE DRIVE IS SO NARROW RESIDENTS HAVE TO PARK ON THE PAVEMENT SO THAT LARGER VEHICLES, eg. DELIVERY VEHICLES AND BIN WAGONS, CAN GET UP THE STREET
 - 2) THE SCHOOLS AND DOCTORS ARE STRUGGLING TO COPE WITH THE ADDITIONAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE MOVING IN ON NEW SITES.
 - 3) SEVERAL YEARS AGO A COMPANY CARRIED OUT BORE HOLE TESTS IN THE FIELD BEHIND HIGHFIELD DRIVE. I LOOKED ON THE COUNCIL WEBSITE AND ALTHOUGH IT SAID IT DID EXIST WHEN I TRIED TO ACCESS IT - IT COULDN'T BE FOUND.

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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.

- 4) DAY HOLES - SEVERAL DAY HOLES WERE PRESENT IN THE FIELD. I WAS TOLD ABOUT THESE BY AN OLDER RESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE WHO LIVED IN GILDERSOME ALL HER LIFE BUT SADLY PASSED AWAY SEVERAL YEARS AGO.
- 5) DETRIMENTAL TO LOCAL WILDLIFE - HARES, RABBITS, FOXES, HEDGEHOGS LARWINGS AND SEVERAL OTHER SPECIES.
- 6) BUILDING HOUSES WILL HAVE A ~~BE~~ DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE VALUE OF THE HOUSES ALREADY OF HIGHFIELD DRIVE. LOSS OF VIEW AND PRIVACY OF THE HOUSES THAT BACK ON TO THIS AREA FOR THE LAST 46 YEARS.
- 7) DRAINS IN THE VILLAGE ARE INADEQUATE AS IN RAINY PERIODS SEVERAL AREAS FLOOD THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE LEADING TO TRAFFIC PROBLEMS.
- 8) IF TRAFFIC IN THE VILLAGE INCREASES PROPER CROSSING POINTS NEED INSTALLING THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE AS THERE ARE LOTS OF CHILDREN AND OLDER PEOPLE WHO HAVE TROUBLE CROSSING THE MAIN ROAD AS DRIVERS REGULARLY SPEED THROUGH THE VILLAGE, TOTALLY IGNORING THE SPEED SIGNS WHICH HAVE BEEN ERECTED.