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Dear Leeds City Council,

We are writing to you because of the drastic increase of housing on our greenbelt in local areas such as Rawdon, where we live. We think it is wrong and have many reasons for this to stop - now!

First of all let's concentrate on our incredible views YOU are going to destroy. The countryside provides us with inspiring scenes and fascinating nature to create stunning pieces of artwork. Also it is relaxing to look out at are beautiful landscape, however that soon might just become houses and houses. No one wants to stare at buildings, do they? It is where we can come together with relatives and friends for a lovely day out where we can have tasty and delicious picnics and fun filled activities. (HG-12 and HG2-41)

Additionally when you go to the woods or country you are getting energy which gets you healthy and fit. I'm sure you don't want the population of Rawdon becoming obese since YOU decided to build on one of our main health resources. Going out to do a variety of exercises, (horse riding, walking, jogging, cycling etc.), would become much harder to do as there would be nowhere to do it. Soon we will be driving to the park just to walk! Imagine that!

Another important reason to stop this is our wide range of animals could shrink to nothing. Not only YOU are wrecking their homes, YOU are wrecking their lives! By demolishing the habitats of our wildlife (Wild deer, Bats, Lapwing, Sparrow hawk, Tawny owl and more), (HG-12). As well as a pond an environment to newts, (HG-12). Vision all those animals, WOW!

Farmland is also a problem. (HG2-41) Where would we keep the animals? That also affects people's jobs. Bees will also be lost, (HG3-3), which stops flowers from being pollenated. If YOU build on the farms YOU are making food harder to get. Food will be more expensive because you will have to travel further to get it, therefore people may not be able to afford it. Now YOU are stopping people having food!

Whilst constructing more houses, the roads will become busier, heavy with traffic. This causes a problem to people who live near roads. They may not be able to get out of their driveways or cross the road if they have children or want to cross it themselves. Traffic lights will be needed, which costs YOU money, as there will be at least a 1000 more cars! Not only does it affect us but it affects YOU too! (HG2-41)

We are sure with all the houses you can't afford for doctors surgeries, schools, shops and other local needs. Emergency services would be needed more too. Then think about the traffic you will have made already. Schools would overflow, children would not have any education, chaos! Are you sure about what you are doing?

People say "We need more low-cost housing." "Build more houses!" However we disagree.

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You could be building on Brown Field where not as much work is needed on. Maybe even at pubs that aren't being used! Think outside the box instead of using our precious Greenbelt. It's not that hard!

We are fanatic about our opinion so do the right thing! Our Greenbelt is why Rawdon is Rawdon so do something. CARE FOR THE COUNTRY!!!

Yours sincerely,

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