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LEEDS SITE ALLOCATION PLAN HQ2 - 41

DEAR SIRS

I WISH TO OBJECT TO THE ABOVE PLAN ON THE BASIS THAT IT ISN'T CONSISTENT WITH LEEDS OWN 'CORE' PLAN OR NATIONAL POLICY, ON GREEN BELT SITES.

THE COUNCIL'S OWN CORE STRATEGY PLAN IN THE GLOSSARY DEFINES GREEN BELT AS A DESIGNATION FOR AREAS OF OPEN LAND AROUND CERTAIN CITIES AND LARGE BUILT UP AREAS WHERE STRICT PLANNING CONTROLS APPLY TO KEEP THE LAND PERMANENTLY OPEN AND LARGELY UNDEVELOPED.

THE GOVERNMENT'S NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK STATES THAT THE GOVERNMENT ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO GREEN BELTS. THE FUNDAMENTAL AIM OF GREEN BELT POLICY IS TO PREVENT URBAN SPRAWL BY KEEPING LAND PERMANENTLY OPEN. THE ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF GREEN BELTS ARE THEIR OPENNESS AND THEIR PERMANENCE.

THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE CONSULTATION BY THE COUNCIL - ONE HALF DAY DISPLAY NOT REALLY ADVERTISED. I FOUND OUT DAYS LATER. THE ONLY INFORMATION COMING FROM LOCAL COUNCILLORS OWN INITIATIVE. NOTE NOT EVERYBODY USES THE INTERNET.

BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF CONSULTATION AND COUNCILS  
AND GOVERNMENT POLICY I DONT BELIEVE THIS APPLICATION IS  
EITHER SOUND JUSTIFIED OR EFFECTIVE.

I BELIEVE THAT THE WILDLIFE THAT ALREADY IS THERE  
SHOULD BE LEFT TO FLOURISH, IT MUST ALSO BE NOTED  
THAT ENVIRONMENTALLY THE SOIL ON THIS SITE ABSORBS MUCH  
OF THE RAIN FALL WHICH IF TAKEN AWAY COULD RESULT IN  
FLOODING FURTHER DOWN TOWARDS THE CANAL AND RIVER.

Yours faithfully

