

27th March 2014

City of Bradford MDC

Core Strategy Development Plan Document

Please find attached my comments, concerns and objections to the Core Strategy Planning Document.

To summarise, my main concerns are that the plan as currently written is grossly inappropriate for Ilkley and in particular Ben Rhydding. If this volume of housing were to be built in Ben Rhydding it would destroy the very features that make the area a conservation area.

My main issues with the plan are;

Damage to environment and habitat through removal of agricultural fields and semi moorland areas. Green field areas should be protected at least until brownfield sites in the metropolitan area have been used.

Excessive pollution through greatly increased traffic flows, with probably 3000 additional car journeys per day on already congested and saturated roads. There is only one "A" road in and out of the town.

Insufficient infrastructure provision given that such are already excessively overloaded and struggling to cope with current demand. Schools, medical and emergency services are at breaking point now.

The proposed housing development will not meet the affordable housing requirement where the current demand exists.

Please note I am prepared to discuss my concerns in person if required to do so.

