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Dear Mr Mapletoft

**Re: Rushcliffe Local Plan Part 2 – objection to proposed main modifications**

I wish to object to Rushcliffe Borough Council’s proposals to allocate yet more Green Belt land for housing around Ruddington.

Residents of Ruddington were initially informed that around 250 new homes would need to be built around the village. When the Local Plan Part 2 was considered by the Planning Inspector at the end of 2018, this figure had increased to 350.

However, following the grant of planning permission for 175 homes at the Asher Lane site, the borough council now intends to also allocate this site, without removing another site to compensate, and therefore increase the number of Ruddington Green Belt homes allocated to 525.

The reality is going to be even worse though given that planning applications have been submitted for the other three sites. If all are granted planning permission, the number of Green Belt homes around Ruddington would total 585, a 234% increase on the original figure of 250.

Site	Number of houses allocated in the Local Plan Part 1	Number of houses allocated in the Local Plan Part 2	Number of houses in planning applications
Land west of Wilford Road	?	130	174
Land south of Flawforth Lane	?	50	56
Land opposite Mere Way	?	170	180
Land off Asher Lane	X		175
<b>Total</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>585</b>

Ruddington residents recognise the need to build new homes and accepts that the village should accept its fair share. However, the levels now proposed go well beyond what is fair, are not sustainable, and would severely impact on the centre of the village as a result of significant increased levels of traffic, levels which the borough council have not properly assessed through the Local Plan process.

On this basis, I consider the Local Plan is unsound and should only proceed with the Asher Lane site allocated **IF** another site, either at Wilford Road or Mere Way, is removed from the plan.

Yours sincerely