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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 30 July 2015 11:08  
**To:** Blake, Cllr Judith  
**Subject:** Guiseley Town Council  
**Attachments:** ANDF Guiseley Town Council Response Nov 14.pdf

Dear Cllr Blake

I have been asked by several members of the Forum, and other local people to bring to your attention the facts contained in the response the Aireborough Neighbourhood Forum sent to the consultation on Guiseley Town Council last November. I think the easiest thing to do, is to resend that response. I have been asked to do this as people have heard that you are reviewing the situation.

Having set up and run the Aireborough Neighbourhood Forum since 2012, I fully agree that the Governance of Aireborough needs looking at properly. The area has significant potential to grow, but it also has some very serious issues that are preventing this that are not solved by the Leeds' Local Plan. The area no longer works in the way it did, it has changed, and both the Governance structure and the Neighbourhood Development Plan need to recognize this and support it. The Forum's vision for the area, arrived at through support from DCLG, thus reflects this new situation in a way we hope to make the most of the potential

I am concerned that no one from Leeds City Council has yet sat down with us to discuss the Town Council – and that the Town Council proposal I have seen will cause substantial difficulties for neighbourhood planning in the area – to the detriment of both growth, and the fact that the area is now classed by Leeds in the Core Strategy as a Major Settlement. Guiseley, by itself, is not a major settlement, and neither is Rawdon or Yeadon on their own. This point would need to be made at the Inspector's hearing on the site allocation, if the Governance structure mitigates against that classification.

If you wish to discuss the matter at all, I would be very happy to do so – as we now have a wealth of research that should greatly help inform the consultation on Governance.

Many regards

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