

Places for Everyone Bury Omission Sites Issues Summary

February 2022



Omission Sites – Bury

A summary of the issues raised in relation to Omitted Sites in Bury and the relevant respondents to PfE 2021 is set out below:

PfE 2021 Omission Sites - Bury

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OSB_OSB.1	Land at Mode	Further sites need to be allocated for housing within the plan. Sites	As set out in Appendix 7 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Seddon Homes
	Hill Lane,	need to be identified that can deliver new homes immediately, in	[03.04.09], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Limited
	Whitefield,	addition to planning for new homes to meet projections to 2037.	exercise (ID 1451485341104). The site at Whitefield was allocated	
	Bury (GMSF	The site is available and an investigation of the technical	for 600 homes in the 2019 draft of the GMSF. However, during the	
	Draft Allocation	considerations affecting site GM1.3 confirms that it is suitable for	preparation of the 2020 Publication GMSF, it became apparent	
	GM1.3)	development, and that a development would be achievable. The	that there was scope to remove the allocation in order to reduce	
		site is promoted for allocation for the following reasons:	the impact on Bury's Green Belt. In addition, the Council also had	
		Can accommodate at least 600 new homes. It provides for a	concerns regarding the potential impact that the development of	
		substantial amount of public open space and a new neighbourhood	this site might have on the surrounding highways network.	
		centre.		
		The site can be brought forward for development within five years,		
		contributing towards Bury's five year housing land supply.		
		The technical work that has already been carried out to support the		
		potential allocation of its site means that a full planning application		
		could be submitted within six months of a development allocation		
		being confirmed.		
		The release of site GM1.3 from the Green Belt would not		
		compromise the purposes of the Green Belt outlined in the NPPF.		
		The site adjoins the existing urban area on two sides, while the		
		M60 and M66 motorways provide strong defensible boundaries on		
		the other two sides. The result is an area with a strong sense of		
		containment.		
OSB_OSB.3	Land on	The subject land area, which it is proposed should be released	As set out in Appendix 7 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Whitefield Golf Club
	southern part	from the Green Belt comprises an area of 6.76 hectares (16.7	[03.04.09], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		acres approx. in total), so representing only some 14.6% of the	exercise (ID 1474990203683). Part of the area is within relatively	

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	of Whitefield	Club's total land ownership. This land lies to the south of the	close proximity to Prestwich town centre. However, direct access	
	Golf Club	Course and north of the M60 Motorway, west of The Trees Housing	to Prestwich town centre from the site is heavily restricted by the	
		Estate and immediately east of Sedgley Park Rugby Club. The land	M60. Developing this site would also form an illogical extension to	
		presently comprises "scrub land" of very low landscape value, and	the urban area and would not form a defensible Green Belt	
		which is surplus to and not forming any part of the established Golf	boundary.	
		Course and its related facilities. Of the 16.7 acres of this "Surplus		
		Land", it is envisaged that no more than 10 acres would be		
		developed for housing, with the 6.76 acres balance of the land area		
		(so more than 40% of same) to be given over for POS, to include a		
		formal network of public footpaths through same to facilitate public		
		access, additional landscaping buffer planting to the M60		
		Motorway, with some of the land to be transferred to Sedgley		
		Rugby Club to assist it to expand its current facilities .		
		There are a number of very special circumstances that justify the		
		removal of the land from the Green Belt and allocation for housing		
		and/or recreational, leisure and community facilities. These are, in		
		short:		
		- Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development		
		- Delivery will secure Whitefield Golf Courses' future		
		- Lack of 'Harm' to Green Belt		
		- Sedgley Rugby Club (SRC)		
OSB_OSB.4	Land at Gin	Gin Hall is clearly a suitable and deliverable site to accommodate	As set out in Appendix 9 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Hollins Strategic Land
	Hall,	some of this housing need and is well placed to do so in the short	[03.04.11] this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
	Walmersley	term as a site that has previously been identified as a draft Green	exercise (ID 1452250042021/ 1456142045254).	
	Road, Bury	Belt release site in former versions of the Plan. Gin Hall has the	The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>) sets out	
		added benefit of also being able to deliver new infrastructure in the	the process used to consider the suitability of sites that had been	
		form of a park and ride, of replacement playing pitch provision to	put forward as potential locations for development.	
		support the delivery of the draft Seedfield allocation (JPA 8). The	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		vision document cites the following reasons:	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		The site, which has previously been identified as being suitable for	The Gin Hall site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search and,	
		development by Bury Council, does not perform well against the		

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		purposes of the Green Belt, particularly when considered in	as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
		isolation.	meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		Locationally sustainable and benefits from existing infrastructure. It		
		is very well located to deliver a residential led mixed-use		
		development that can be brought forward at an early stage in the		
		PfE plan period, significantly boosting the Council's housing land		
		supply		
		Some 300 homes would be provided, potentially within the first 7		
		years of the PfE plan period, including 30% affordable homes and		
		homes for the elderly. The market housing will be a mixture of size		
		and configuration which will allow choice in the market.		
		Proposed Neighbourhood Centre, would create a social 'hub' for		
		new and current residents. There would be significant economic		
		benefits, including some 101 FTE jobs would be created in a		
		location that is well connected to East Bury, one of the Borough's		
		most deprived neighbourhoods. The Park and Ride facility would		
		also be of benefit, helping to alleviate the pressures of traffic and		
		parking in nearby Bury and Ramsbottom.		
		The Green Infrastructure Network is a focus of the proposed		
		development, which will create and enhance habitats as well as		
		provide public open space for the community. The woodland belt		
		will be protected and managed to facilitate biodiversity		
		enhancement and leisure routes. The parcel of land to the north of		
		the M66 slip road will remain as greenfield land but importantly, will		
		be significantly enhanced in terms to better serve the purposes of		
		the Green Belt and to achieve a biodiversity gain.		
OSB_OSB.5	Starling Road,	Request that the site is reincluded as part of the Elton Reservoir	As set out in Appendix 7 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Taylor Wimpey
	Bury	site (Policy JP Allocation 7) or as a standalone allocation to meet	[03.04.09], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		Bury's housing needs over the emerging plan period in this iteration	exercise (ID 1452787265760). This site was originally included	
		of the PfE.	within the Elton Reservoir Allocation in the 2016 draft GMSF.	
			However, consultation feedback in 2016 was critical of the removal	

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		The strategic policies of the Plan fail to make sufficient provision for	of Green Belt to allow development at Elton Reservoir area. The	
		housing of all types (including affordable housing) and is therefore	Summary of Consultation Responses from 2016 notes that many	
		contrary to Framework [§20] and the objective of significantly	respondents highlighted the site's 'important function in separating	
		boosting the supply of housing [§60]. Furthermore, the Plan fails to	the towns of Bury and Radcliffe'. The land at Starling provides a	
		identify any safeguarded land rendering it also in conflict with the	continuous corridor of open land connecting the Green Belt that	
		Framework [§143].	separates Bury from Breightmet (parcel BU25 in the GMGBA) with	
			that at the Elton Reservoir area. As such, to assist in minimising	
		There are also concerns with this iteration of the PfE and is	overall Green Belt release in Bury, it was judged that there was an	
		strongly of the opinion that the claimed housing land supply is	opportunity to retain the Starling area and a considerable	
		significantly over exaggerated in an effort to reduce the quantum of	proportion of the proposed Elton Reservoir area allocation as	
		Green Belt release required to meet identified needs	Green Belt, therefore maintaining the physical break between Bury	
			and Radcliffe. The Starling area also plays a role in maintaining a	
		It is considered that the site should be removed from the Green	continuous corridor from Elton Reservoir through to strategic	
		Belt and allocated for residential development on the basis that:	Green Belt (BT_BA01 in the GMGBA) that plays an important role	
		It would assist in the delivery of a sustainable development and	in separating Bury from Bolton.	
		could be delivered as part of the wide Elton Reservoir allocation or		
		as a standalone development;		
		It does not fulfil the Green Belt purposes; and		
		There are no insurmountable constraints to its development and it		
		is deliverable within the next five years as the site is available,		
		suitable, achievable and viable.		
OSB_OSB.6	Land at Long		As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Wainhomes (NW) Ltd
	Lane, Bury	Summary of representations is as follows:	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		The residential development would comprise a logical urban	exercise (ID 1453453682080/ 1449590723650). The Site Selection	
		extension to Bury.	Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>) sets out the process used to	
		There is substantial doubt about the viability and deliverability of	consider the suitability of sites that had been put forward as	
		two of the draft PfE site allocation at Seedfield.	potential locations for development.	
		There is a need to identify smaller-scale and viable greenfield sites	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		that can deliver a higher proportion of affordable housing, and	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	

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		general market house of a range of types, within the early part of	The Long Lane site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search	
		the plan-period to help meet unmet needs.	and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
		Have undertaken a site-specific assessment and conclude that the	meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		site does not fully perform a Green Belt function with regards to the		
		five main purposes of including land within the Green Belt, and that		
		development would have a limited impact on the integrity of the		
		Green Belt.		
		There would be few visual receptors affected by the development		
		of the site given the enclosed nature of the site and development is		
		acceptable in landscape terms.		
		There are no major constraints to development of the site in terms		
		of ecology and arboriculture.		
		There are no obstacles to the delivery of this site for the quantum		
		of residential development identified from a highways and transport		
		perspective.		
		The site is highly locationally sustainable in terms of access to key		
		services and public transport.		
		The site is within single ownership and Wainhomes (NW) Ltd, a		
		national housebuilder with a proven track record of delivery,- the		
		site is 'deliverable' and would make contribution to 5-year housing		
		land supply position.		
OSB_OSB.7	Fletcher Bank	The former Fletcher Bank Quarry is proposed as a new	As set out in Appendix 9 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Peel L&P
	Quarry	employment allocation for c.75,000sqm of new high quality	[03.04.11] this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Investments (North)
		employment development in a landscaped setting.	exercise (ID 1453720683018). The areas of previously developed	Ltd
		The land is currently within the Green Belt. The representations	land mainly relate to buildings and hardstanding at the quarry	
		demonstrate that there are exceptional circumstances to remove	which is still operational and the site is therefore not currently	
		additional land from the Green Belt to meet GM housing and	available for development. The topography of the area is a	
		employment development needs in the current plan period and	significant constraint to development. The area is also poorly	
		beyond and that the site represents an ideal opportunity to remove	served by the public transport network and has limited	
		land from the Green Belt that makes negligible contribution to its	accessibility. Over 90% of the quarry site is within a locally	
		purposes.	designated wildlife corridor.	

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		Redevelopment of this previously developed site would be in		
		accordance with national policy that allows for partial or complete		
		redevelopment of previously developed land which would not have		
		a greater impact on the openness of the Green Belt.		
OSB_OSB.8	Greenmount	Land on the south side of Greenmount is proposed as a new	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Peel L&P
		housing allocation. Collectively, the site could deliver around 150	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Investments (North)
		new homes as a sustainable urban extension to the settlement.	exercise (ID 1453298193835). The Site Selection Background	Ltd
		Exceptional circumstances exist to justify releasing the land from	Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>) sets out the process used to consider	
		the Green Belt in accordance with the spatial priorities of the plan	the suitability of sites that had been put forward as potential	
		to boost competitiveness in the northern part of GM, and to identify	locations for development.	
		areas of Safeguarded Land to meet longer term development	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		needs. It will help Bury meet its quantitative housing needs, while	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		also making qualitative improvements to the provision of family and	The Greenmount site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search	
		affordable housing in a strong market area.	and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
		The allocation will make an important contribution towards boosting	meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		competitiveness in the northern GM area. Peel can confirm that the		
		site is deliverable and is keen to work with Bury BC to bring the		
		land forward for development as soon as possible following		
		adoption of the plan. Allowing for lead in times, it is likely that		
		development will commence in 2023 and could be delivered within		
		5 years.		
OSB_OSB.9	Nuttall Lane	Land at Nuttall Lane, Ramsbottom is proposed as a new housing	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Peel L&P
	(Crow Lumb	allocation for c.75 new family homes, including affordable housing.	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Investments (North)
	Wood)	The site was excluded from the Greater Manchester Green Belt	exercise. The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>)	Ltd
		when boundaries were established in 1984; it is open land	sets out the process used to consider the suitability of sites that	
		surrounded on all sides by existing built development (housing and	had been put forward as potential locations for development.	
		employment premises) and a railway line. It is very well related to	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		existing patterns of development, in close proximity to a range of	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		shops and community uses and public transport facilities including	The Nuttall Lane site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search	
		Ramsbottom railway station and a number of bus stops, affording	and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
			meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	

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		the opportunity to provide new family housing in a sustainable		
		location.		
		The land is proposed within the Draft PfE as an addition to the		
		Green Belt (Policy GBA 10). However, there are no exceptional		
		circumstances to justify the proposed inclusion of additional land		
		into the Green Belt and as a matter of principle the approach taken		
		in the plan is both unsound and unlawful. They also demonstrate		
		that PfE needs to make further provision for deliverable housing		
		land.		
OSB_OSB.10	Ripon Hall	Land at Ripon Hall Avenue, Ramsbottom is proposed as a new	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Peel L&P
	Avenue (Broad	housing allocation 65 new family homes, including affordable	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Investments (North)
	Hey Wood	housing, within a green infrastructure setting and accessible open	exercise (ID 1453375160403). The Site Selection Background	Ltd
	North)	space with footpath links into Broad Hey Wood.	Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>) sets out the process used to consider	
		The land is proposed in the Draft PfE as an addition to the Green	the suitability of sites that had been put forward as potential	
		Belt (Appendix 2, page 378: Policy GBA 15 Broad Hey Wood	locations for development.	
		North). Peel's representations (Paper 2 section 9) demonstrate why	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		there are no exceptional circumstances to justify the proposed	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		inclusion of additional land into the Green Belt and as a matter of	The Ripon Hall Avenue site falls outside of the identified Areas of	
		principle the approach taken in the plan is both unsound and	Search and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable	
		unlawful. They also demonstrate that PfE needs to make further	alternatives for meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		provision for deliverable housing land (see Paper 2 section 8) and		
		Safeguarded Land.		
		Exceptional circumstances exist to justify releasing the land from		
		the Green Belt in accordance with the spatial priorities of the plan		
		to boost competitiveness in the northern part of GM, and to identify		
		areas of Safeguarded Land to meet longer term development		
		needs.		
OSB_OSB.11	Old Fire	The council could use the old fire station land for flats.	The former fire station site on the Rock is in the process of being	Angela Taylor; Jenny
	Station		disposed of to a developer wishing to redevelop the site for a hotel.	Bowring

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OSB_OSB.12	Land to the	The site is currently designated as Green Belt and is privately	The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: 03.04.01) sets out	J Wilson
	east of	accessed marshland. The site provides an accessible opportunity	the process used to consider the suitability of sites that had been	
	Fairfield	for expansion on the edge of the existing settlement boundary	put forward as potential locations for development.	
	Hospital	which would contribute to the unmet housing need in Bury. This	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		site should therefore be included within the PfE plan in order to	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		address the current deficit of housing land and meet Bury's	The land to the east of Fairfield Hospital falls outside of the	
		strategic housing needs over the plan period.	identified Areas of Search and, as such, is not considered to be	
		The PfE spatial framework fails to address Bury's historic	reasonable alternatives for meeting the overall vision, strategy and	
		undersupply of housing delivery, as well as current lack of	objectives.	
		adequate housing land supply. The draft PfE spatial framework		
		therefore does not align to NPPF paragraph 60. For the framework		
		to be found sound, further land for housing need to be allocated to		
		address to current 2,000 home deficit within Bury. The inclusion of		
		this site would contribute to meeting this deficit.		
OSB_OSB.13	Land north of	The site is currently designated as Green Belt, used for grazing. It	As set out in Appendix 7 of the Site Selection Background Paper	The Averill Group
	Ashwood	comprises a parcel of land, adjacent to the M66 motorway. A	[03.04.09], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
	Avenue,	further parcel of land (Parcel B) is located on the opposite side of	exercise (1468942665017). The area is within 800m of	
	Ramsbottom	the M66. The representation cites the following reasons for	Ramsbottom town centre but links to the town centre are limited,	
	(Parcel A)	allocation:	the topography is challenging along those routes, and there are	
		Both parcels of land present a realistic opportunity to deliver homes	minimal public transport options. Over 90% of the site is also within	
		to meet the needs of Bury in an achievable, sustainable and	a locally designated wildlife corridor.	
		deliverable manner		
		Both sites are accessible, achievable and sustainable and should		
		therefore be included within the PfE framework in order to address		
		the current deficit of housing land and meet Bury's strategic		
		housing needs over the framework period.		
		The PfE spatial framework fails to address Bury's historic		
		undersupply of housing delivery, as well as current lack of		
		adequate housing land supply. The draft PfE spatial framework		
		therefore does not align to NPPF paragraph 60. For the framework		
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		deficit.		
OSB_OSB.14	Land west of	The site is currently designated as Green Belt, used for grazing. It	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	The Averill Group
	Whalley Road,	comprises a parcel of land, adjacent to the M66 motorway. A	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
	Ramsbottom	further parcel of land (Parcel A) is located on the opposite side of	exercise (ID 1468943318594). The Site Selection Background	
	(Parcel B)	the M66. The representation cites the following reasons for	Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>) sets out the process used to consider	
		allocation:	the suitability of sites that had been put forward as potential	
		Both parcels of land present a realistic opportunity to deliver homes	locations for development.	
		to meet the needs of Bury in an achievable, sustainable and	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		deliverable manner	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		Both sites are accessible, achievable and sustainable and should	The Whalley Road site falls outside of the identified Areas of	
		therefore be included within the PfE framework in order to address	Search and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable	
		the current deficit of housing land and meet Bury's strategic	alternatives for meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		housing needs over the framework period.		
		The PfE spatial framework fails to address Bury's historic		
		undersupply of housing delivery, as well as current lack of		
		adequate housing land supply. The draft PfE spatial framework		
		therefore does not align to NPPF paragraph 60. For the framework		
		to be found sound, further land for housing need to be allocated to		
		address to current 2,000 home deficit within Bury. The inclusion of		
		this site would contribute to meeting this		
		deficit.		
OSB_OSB.15	Old paper mill	Perplexed as to why other brown belt sites are not being	A large number of previously developed sites suitable for housing	Mr and Mrs J. Brown
	site behind the	considered. For instance the old paper mill site behind the railway	are identified in the council's Brownfield Land Register and its	
	railway station,	station is an eyesore, I am aware that it may cost more to develop,	Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA).	
	Ramsbottom	but this would be preferable to once again building on green belt	However, these sites are insufficient to meet Bury's identified need	
		land which is rapidly disappearing in the Bury Council domain.	and as such there is a need to identify additional sites.	
			The former Mondi Paper Mill site in Ramsbottom does not form	
			part of the existing housing land supply as the site has significant	
			flood risk issues.	

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OSB_OSB.16	Milbourne	Requests allocation for residential development for the following	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Miller Homes
	Road, Bury	reasons:	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		It is concluded that the site performs a mixed role in the function of	exercise (ID 1460722342736). The Site Selection Background	
		the Green Belt. On balance, the allocation of the site for residential	Paper (Doc ref: 03.04.01) sets out the process used to consider	
		development would not significantly harm the function of the Green	the suitability of sites that had been put forward as potential	
		Belt in the wider area.	locations for development.	
		It has been demonstrated that the housing land supply position in	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		Bury, and within the remainder of the PfE plan area presents an	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		exceptional circumstance which justifies the removal of land from	The Milbourne Road site falls outside of the identified Areas of	
		the Green Belt. The tests outlined in the 2015 High Court	Search and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable	
		judgement can be met for this site confirming that 'exceptional	alternatives for meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		circumstances' exist.		
		The removal of the site from the Green Belt and allocation for		
		residential development would allow for much needed housing to		
		be delivered in a sustainable and appropriate location. Without		
		further Green Belt removal the PfE Plan falls short of meeting the		
		housing needs of Bury.		
SB_OSB.17	Stormer Hill,	Requests allocation for residential development for the following	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Miller Homes
	Tottington	reasons:	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		It is concluded that the site performs a mixed role in the function of	exercise (ID 1456927043343) . The Site Selection Background	
		the Green Belt. On balance, the allocation of the site for residential	Paper (Doc ref: 03.04.01) sets out the process used to consider	
		development would not significantly harm the function of the Green	the suitability of sites that had been put forward as potential	
		Belt in the wider area.	locations for development.	
		It has been demonstrated that the housing land supply position in	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		Bury, and within the remainder of the PfE plan area presents an	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		exceptional circumstance which justifies the removal of land from	The Stormer Hill site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search	
		the Green Belt. The tests outlined in the 2015 High Court	and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
		judgement can be met for this site confirming that 'exceptional	meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
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OSB_OSB.18	Cornfield	Requests allocation for residential development for the following	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Miller Homes
	Road, Bury	reasons:	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		It is concluded that the site performs a mixed role in the function of	exercise. The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref:	
		the Green Belt. On balance, the allocation of the site for residential	03.04.01)) sets out the process used to consider the suitability of	
		development would not significantly harm the function of the Green	sites that had been put forward as potential locations for	
		Belt in the wider area.	development.	
		It has been demonstrated that the housing land supply position in	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
		Bury, and within the remainder of the PfE plan area presents an	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
		exceptional circumstance which justifies the removal of land from	The Cornfield Road site falls outside of the identified Areas of	
		the Green Belt. The tests outlined in the 2015 High Court	Search and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable	
		judgement can be met for this site confirming that 'exceptional	alternatives for meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		circumstances' exist.		
		The removal of the site from the Green Belt and allocation for		
		residential development would allow for much needed housing to		
		be delivered in a sustainable and appropriate location. Without		
		further Green Belt removal the PfE Plan falls short of meeting the		
		housing needs of Bury.		
OSB_OSB.19	Land at Pole	Further sites need to be allocated for housing within the plan. Sites	As set out in Appendix 7 of the Site Selection Background Paper	The Strategic Land
	Lane,	need to be identified that can deliver new homes immediately, in	[03.04.09], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Group
	Whitefield,	addition to planning for new homes to meet projections to 2037.	exercise. The site at Whitefield was allocated for 600 homes in the	
	Bury	The site is available and an investigation of the technical	2019 draft of the GMSF. However, during the preparation of the	
		considerations affecting site GM1.3 confirms that it is suitable for	2020 Publication GMSF, it became apparent that there was scope	
		development, and that a development would be achievable. The	to the impact on Bury's Green Belt. In addition, the Council also	
		site is promoted for allocation for the following reasons:	had concerns regarding the potential impact that the development	
		Can accommodate at least 600 new homes. It provides for a	of this site might have on the surrounding highways network.	
		substantial amount of public open space and a new neighbourhood		
		centre.		

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		The site can be brought forward for development within five years,		
		contributing towards Bury's five year housing land supply.		
		The technical work that has already been carried out to support the		
		potential allocation of its site means that a full planning application		
		could be submitted within six months of a development allocation		
		being confirmed.		
		The release of site GM1.3 from the Green Belt would not		
		compromise the purposes of the Green Belt outlined in the NPPF.		
		The site adjoins the existing urban area on two sides, while the		
		M60 and M66 motorways provide strong defensible boundaries on		
		the other two sides. The result is an area with a strong sense of		
		containment.		
OSB_OSB.20	Land West of	The representation promotes land west of Brandlesholme Road	As set out in Appendix 9 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Story Homes Limited
	Brandlesholme	(Parcel A) and Land south of Springside View (Parcel B) as	[03.04.11] this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
	Road /	housing allocations for the following reasons:	exercise. The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>)	
	Brandlesholme	Technical reports demonstrate that there are sound planning and	sets out the process used to consider the suitability of sites that	
	Farm and Land	technical reasons for the Sites to be released from the Green Belt	had been put forward as potential locations for development.	
	South of	for housing.	This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
	Springside	There is a clear and accepted need for Green Belt release within	whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
	View, Bury	the Greater Manchester City Region. Bury Council should apply a	The Brandlesholme Road site falls outside of the identified Areas	
		balanced approach to meeting the housing requirement established	of Search and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable	
		within the PFE	alternatives for meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
		The PFE in its current form does not consider allocations for		
		safeguarded land and it is requested by Story Homes that land at		
		Brandlesholme Farm is considered as an appropriate location to		
		secure the future housing needs of Bury and the vitality of the town		
		post 2037.		
		The Sites are available now and offer suitable locations to help		
		Bury Council meet current and future housing needs. Ultimately,		
		the Sites are deliverable with willing landowners and represented		
		by a high quality house builder.		
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OSB_OSB.21	Brandlesholme	Build these new houses up Brandsholme Road where there is a lot	As set out in Appendix 9 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Raymond
	Road, Bury	better access on both sides of the road, and a road system that can	[03.04.11] this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Chamberlain
		cope and still have fields to help with air quality.	exercise. The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>)	
			sets out the process used to consider the suitability of sites that	
			had been put forward as potential locations for development.This	
			included the identification of Areas of Search to inform whether a	
			site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative. Despite	
			there being no specific site identified, the Brandlesholme Road	
			area falls outside of the identified Areas of Search and, as such, is	
			not considered to be reasonable alternatives for meeting the	
			overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
OSB_OSB.22	Gin Hall, Bury	The plan does not consider other brownfield sites such as Gin Hall,	As set out in Appendix 9 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Margaret Fulham
		which has been taken out of the plan despite its proximity to the	[03.04.11] this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		motorway network.	exercise. The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>)	
			sets out the process used to consider the suitability of sites that	
			had been put forward as potential locations for development.	
			This included the identification of Areas of Search to inform	
			whether a site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative.	
			The Gin Hall site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search and,	
			as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
			meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives.	
OSB_OSB.23	Land at Clarks	Representation promotes release of land at Clarks Cross,	As set out in Appendix 9 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Northern Gateway
	Cross, Bury	previously designated as part of NG1b: South of the M62 under the	[03.04.11] this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Development Vehicle
	(Formerly	2016 draft GMSF for housing development as part of the Northern	exercise (ID 1452100 568662) . During the preparation of the 2019	LLP
	assessed as	Gateway for the following reasons:	Draft GMSF, it became apparent that there was scope to remove	
	Land to the	the site is in a highly sustainable location and any future workers /	the allocation in order to reduce the impact on Bury's Green Belt.	
	South of	residents would have easy access to a wide range of transport		
	Simister Lane)	options, services and facilities to meet their day to day needs.		
		The proposed development will be deliver a number of significant		
		planning benefits by virtue of its scale including highway		

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		infrastructure improvements, new rapid public transport services,		
		new areas of new public open space, new wildlife habitats and		
		significant job creation.		
		If retained for housing the land could make a valuable contribution		
		as part of a buffer in the event that other selected sites fail to		
		deliver. Alternatively, the Clarkes Cross land might logically be		
		designated as safeguarded land for longer-term development		
		needs, whether as part of a review of the GMSF or the following		
		plan period		
OSB_OSB.24	Land to the	Brownfield site at the back of Tesco superstore where the Fire	The site at Chamberhall is allocated for employment use in the	Joan Heffernan
	rear of Tesco,	station and Police Station are situated is not being utilised for	existing Bury Unitary Development Plan. Phase one of this site has	
	Bury	housing. It has access to facilities and good transport links.	recently been developed for new employment units with Phase 2 in	
			the process of being put out to the market. The development of	
			any part of this site for residential would be contrary to the site's	
			allocation.	
OSB_OSB.25	Old Hall Farm,	Redrow has serious concerns that the Draft PfE will fundamentally	As set out in Appendix 9 of the Site Selection Background Paper	Redrow Homes
	Whitefield	fail to meet housing needs in full during the plan period. The	[03.04.11] this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	
		representation presents land at Old Hall Farm, Whitefield for 100	exercise. The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>)	
		family homes, including affordable housing, for the following	sets out the process used to consider the suitability of sites that	
		reasons:	had been put forward as potential locations for development.This	
		The site is available, suitable and achievable with a realistic	included the identification of Areas of Search to inform whether a	
		prospect that housing will be delivered on the site within five years.	site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative. The Old	
		The overall conclusion was that the parcel made a 'moderate'	Hall Farm site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search and,	
		contribution, however Redrow have also assessed the contribution	as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
		of the site itself and it was concluded that the site makes just a	meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives	
		'weak' contribution. The principle of Green Belt release can		
		therefore be justified, as exceptional circumstances		
		The site is within a highly sustainable location, well connected to		
		the existing settlement of Whitefield		

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		There are no fundamental technical constraints that restrict		
		residential development of the site and any potential adverse		
		impacts can be adequately mitigated		
OSB_OSB.26	North East of	Representation presents land north east of Oak Avenue and	As set out in Appendix 5 of the Site Selection Background Paper	AA Homes & Housing
	Oak Avenue,	suggests the appropriate development at the open space on the	[03.04.07], this site was submitted as part of the call for sites	Ltd (Mr Andrew
	Ramsbottom	north eastern side of Oak Avenue for seniors housing as part of a	exercise. The Site Selection Background Paper (Doc ref: <u>03.04.01</u>)	Pelling)
		mixed community. It states that the development could offer:	sets out the process used to consider the suitability of sites that	
		close to or surrounded by the existing urban area, therefore limiting	had been put forward as potential locations for development. This	
		urban sprawl.	included the identification of Areas of Search to inform whether a	
		already well connected by roads and public transport or have the	site could be considered to be a reasonable alternative. The land	
		potential to be well connected.	at Oak Avenue site falls outside of the identified Areas of Search	
		close to social infrastructure, such as schools, health care and	and, as such, is not considered to be reasonable alternatives for	
		shops, with bus routes B1, 472, 474 and 897 nearby, GP services	meeting the overall vision, strategy and objectives	
		available to the south and a supply of spaces available in local		
		primary schools.		