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From:

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To: LDF

Subject: Q7(ST) Approach to Safe Guarded Land

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Dear Sir, this is in response to the questions about safe guarded land. I am particularly concerned about the status of the land towards the East of Betteras Hill Road, on the Hillam boundary outlined in my initial response to the plan.

I am generally in agreement with the definitions of green belt land outlined in the review. I believe though that the concept of safe guarded land is a poor one and is being used as a mechanism to erode the greenbelt and extend village boundaries. Green belt land, even within a village envelope, should not be open to development. Either the land meets the criteria for green belt land or it does not. Only brown field land should be developed. I would like a full and open re-appraisal of safe guarded land against the green belt criteria and not solely reliant on whether it is capable to develop the land outlined in the proposal.

I am particularly concerned about planning applications in preparation for developments on safeguarded land whilst the Plan Selby strategy review is underway. I would expect the council to reject these and would encourage a reappraisal of the land status in preparation for these applications.

Yours Faithfully

Neil George

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