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When did it become unacceptable to have green areas close to towns?

Any area of land dedicated to recreation and the developers start rubbing their hands together and seeing pound signs.

Why do these people assume that everyone likes to look out of their windows and see more houses, more shops?

Here in Selby, we have plenty of shops, we have plenty of houses, who would we want to build more for? Are they for the people of Selby? Is the population increasing at such a rate that we need to throw up houses in every available space to accommodate them?

Could it be that the proximity to the train station is the reason we want to build more houses?

People who live in Leeds, York and even London could move to Selby and get a bigger house.

Do we really want these people, will our services cope with the increase in numbers, and do we want to be a downsizing opportunity for the people living within commuting distance?

I moved into my house because I like the open aspect, I like to be able to take my dog for a walk in open countryside.

I am opposed to the Olympia Park development because it would destroy the reason I bought my house in the first place. You may accuse me of being a NIMBY, and on this occasion I will hold my hand up and plead guilty as charged as I don't believe it is a crime to want to protect these spaces from the greedy developers who want to push our green areas further and further away from towns in the name of profit disguised as progress.

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