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JULY UPDATE: *Dear Neighbour,*

We wrote to you a while back about plans to build a new township of up to 300 houses to replace the old refractory works in the heart of the Loxley valley. Thank you for taking the trouble to read our concerns. The response from the community has been remarkable. Nearly 800 objections so far, and rising steadily! We are writing again now to update you, and to let you know there's now **more time** to have your say.

We forgot to introduce ourselves properly in that first leaflet! We are 'Friends of the Loxley Valley'. We're online at friendsoftheloxleyvalley.com We are also on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, (please see the idents on the 'poster' side of this leaflet, overleaf). We had just a handful of members when we began this campaign, but we have now grown to over 100. Thanks everyone! If you would like to join in, you will find membership details on the website.

Our goal is to cherish and celebrate our lovely valley, but also to protect and defend it. Right now, the emphasis is on protection and defence! We won't go through all the arguments again. You can find them on the website! But we fear the valley will never be the same if it is 'urbanised' by a huge estate right on the edge of the Peak District. Since we last wrote, our concerns have been shared by the Peak District National Park Authority, who posted a strongly worded objection. They say neither the developers nor the city council consulted them properly. The Campaign to Protect Rural England have objected, as have our neighbours in the Rivelin Valley Conservation Group.

Friends of the Earth, the Sheffield Climate Change Alliance and the local Green Party have objected on environmental grounds. The 'Sheffield Environmental' group who fought a motorway service station in woodland near Chapeltown have added their voice. We expect objections soon from respected wildlife groups and from experts who fear harm to our internationally significant industrial heritage. All this plus the objections from our MPs and councillors that we reported last time. And little old us! Our objection sets out numerous breaches of local and national planning policies, ([see our website](#)).

The original deadline for objections was in June. It has now been extended after the applicants posted numerous weighty documents very late in the day. You still have time to make **your** views known! You can also amend earlier comments in the light of the new information. The new official deadline is Thursday, July 30th. You can post comments online at planningapps.sheffield.gov.uk (search for application number 20/01301/OUT). You can email your comments to planningapps@sheffield.gov.uk quoting the same reference number, or you can write quoting the reference number to *Diane Holgate, Principal Planning Officer, Development Management, Howden House, 1 Union Street, SHEFFIELD S1 2SH*.

Thanks for your time! Finally, could we ask if you could put our poster in your window to show your support and to spread the message? With your help, we can **win** this fight!

*Your sincerely,
Friends of the Loxley Valley*