

About the application

Application number: 2019/91836	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 34 dwellings
Address of the site or building:	Land adj, Inkerman Court, Barnsley Road, Denby Dale, Huddersfield, HD8 8XA
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User comments

Type of comment: An objection

I would like to voice my concerns about the 2 local housing development plans along Barnsley Road which could involve 100 new homes being built and the impact it will have on the local community's mental health. With 1 in 4 expected to develop a problem such as a form of depression or anxiety this year alone, and suicide now the leading cause of death for men under 50, I would like to ask if any of the following points have been considered?

Some of the key triggers for mental health issues are:

- Stress
- Conflict
- Lack of Sleep
- Anxiety

Adding 100 new homes to the area could potentially introduce up to 200 cars to the area. I often struggle to park in the village already due to the amount of congestion. The plan also shows 1-bedroom terrace houses with 1 parking space. What will happen if there is a 2nd vehicle or the homes have a visitor? Will they be forced to park on the busy Barnsley road which has a speed limit of 50mph? Will these parked cars on the main road obstruct the view of cars leaving the estate and joining the fast Barnsley Road? What effect will the extra traffic have on local people's stress and anxiety levels as well as potential for conflict?

I often struggle to get a GP appointment in less than 3 weeks. What impact will 100 new families have on my ability to see my GP and the anxiety and stress I will feel by not being able to be seen quickly?

100 new homes will add to the noise pollution within an area where all the residents purchased their homes believing they would be in a quiet rural area. This will have an impact on the quality of sleep we all get.

In an area where we have no permanent policing and very infrequent local police patrols, how will the police deal with the extra crime or social unrest that 100 new homes will cause? What impact will the anxiety of these issues have on the local population?

The local community is privileged to be able to see and hear local owls, jays, woodpeckers and even birds of prey. What impact will this development have on this wildlife that we know about and the rest that we do not know about? It is well known that local wildlife has a calming effect and sufferers are encouraged to surround themselves with wildlife. Will this be taken away from us?

My real concern is that this housing development will add stress, conflict, sleep issues and anxiety on the whole community. In an age where we are all being encouraged to take better care of our mental health, surely the local council cannot ignore this legitimate concern?