



I object to this development due to following reasons.

During the current pandemic, it has reinforced the very special amenity value of the Conservation area and Bierley Marsh down to the Duckpond, with an almost constant flow of, particularly young families, taking children out for exercise and enjoyment of the beautiful settings. This is likely to continue.

For anyone walking down Bierley Marsh from South View Road, as well as having to potentially navigate an adopted road, with much more traffic, the first visual impression, because of the style, density and orientation of this development, will be one of a hotch potch of a variety of vehicles

Layout, density and parking orientation will present the predominant view of vehicles. Whilst the developers documents refer to allocation of two car parking spaces, in reality it is not inconceivable for families with older teenagers to have 3 or 4 cars per family. All these vehicles will add to adverse visual impact and parking problems in the area as well as a substantial increase in the likelihood of a collision, whether it be with another vehicle or worse a pedestrian who is using Bierley Marsh for recreational use. The planning application is clearly insensitive to the area and represents over development of the field. Part of the development is also outside the fields boundaries.

Orientation of parking will potentially lead to drive in parking resulting in the more dangerous operation of reversing out into pedestrians. Where vehicles reverse in for parking the natural orientation will be for vehicles on exit, and particularly those wanting to exit onto Hunsworth Lane, to down toward the Duckpond. There appears to be nothing stopping residents from doing this in the developers proposals.

If part of Bierley Marsh is adopted, I have concern how an interface with the existing unadopted footpath. Will the Developer be required to construct a gate system, or some kind of traffic control, one way system to protect the current restrictions that Bierley Marsh footpath enjoys. How would such measures fit in with existing restrictions on Bierley Marsh, which also has many pinch points and only suitable for single traffic?

The benefits to Bierley Marsh, as a high amenity area within an area of heavy population has been recognised in the Conservation Area Appraisal. Scale of development in the area has been much criticised in recent years, and on top of these concerns we now facing another 46 houses off Sourbey Cross Way, within 2 minutes walk, this development and any follow on development that the developer is planning (and has openly discussed) for the near by larger field.

The Conservation Area Appraisal references to the fact that "Designation as a conservation area strengthens existing development policy in the Kirklees Unitary Plan (UDP) to preserve and enhance the appearance and character of the conservation area" This will be completely compromised by this and any follow on development on Bierley Marsh.