

About the application

Application number: 2020/60/91215/e	
What is the application for?:	Outline application for erection of residential development
Address of the site or building:	Land at, Green Acres Close, Emley, Huddersfield, HD8 9RA
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection
I would like to object to the proposed housing development with access via Wentworth Drive. I would like to object on the basis of the following reasons: Regarding Highway Safety and traffic concerns, the junction from Wentworth Drive into Beaumont St is currently hazardous for the following reasons: The stretch of Wentworth Drive leading to the junction is narrow and due to existing residents parked cars on that stretch of road, it is not possible for two cars to pass each other. This creates a risk of collisions. I have personally experienced issues of cars turning from Beaumont St into Wentworth Drive almost colliding with my vehicle as I approached the junction from Wentworth Drive and had to navigate parked vehicles very close to the junction. Pulling out from Wentworth Drive onto Beaumont Rd is already hazardous due to poor visibility in both directions due to the blind hill and also parked cars directly adjacent to the junction causes risk, particularly to cars attempting to turn right out of this junction. Any increase in traffic flow into and out of that difficult junction will result in increased hazards and dangers to both traffic and pedestrians. The proposed development would increase traffic on this junction and surrounding roads by a potential 80-90 cars. The access to the proposed development via Wentworth Drive is not suitable for an increased amount of traffic being narrow and having residents and visitors cars parked on the street. The only main route through the centre of Emley includes Upper Lane. Upper Lane has significant levels of on street parking and already being a narrow street, traffic regularly has to queue at busy times and weave in and out of parked cars. Congestion can easily build up on this stretch of road, especially at school drop off and pick up time and rush hour. This road is used by commuters both heading towards Huddersfield and as a route towards Wakefield and the M1. Anyone living in Emley has no alternative route and all surrounding roads are narrow country roads and poorly maintained. This road is also used by busses and HGVs. This road and the other roads through Emley are unsuitable for heavy traffic usage.

Additionally there are already significant risks to pedestrians, including school children walking to school and back, on this stretch of road because of the lack of pavement on stretches of this road (Upper lane) and also up Warburton Rd. And there is no pedestrian crossing on any part of this road.

Public transport is limited and not always reliable. This necessitates the use of motor vehicles by residents of Emley and therefore the proposed development will serve to significantly increase the heavy traffic volumes that use the narrow Emley streets on a daily basis.

I would like it to be taken into account that there is already a large housing development being built nearby on Cumberworth Rd Skelmanthorpe and this will have significant impact on increasing the traffic levels in and around Emley as well as the adjacent Skelmanthorpe.

Also, I do not believe that there has been sufficient consultation on this resubmitted/revised planning application. And the fact it has occurred during a global pandemic has restricted the means of publicising this application to local residents .