

About the application

Application number: 2020/92331	
What is the application for?:	Outline planning application for demolition of existing dwellings and developmen
Address of the site or building:	Land east of, Leeds Road, Chidswell, Shaw Cross, Dewsbury
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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<p>I strongly object to to the 2020/92331 Chilswell development application & plans.</p> <p>My own concerns are for the increased traffic the development will bring to the area and surrounding areas. The current roads are already overloaded and under extreme pressure with long delays not only on the main routes but also all surrounding roads and lanes used to divert away feom them. Leeds Road is already an incredibly busy road in both directions, which has seen further increased traffic since the opening of a new McDonalds and new housing development off Owl Lane. Owl lane is a very small road anyway, and is prone to flooding already. The new housing estate there has already had a hugely negative impact on the queues getting from Leeds Road/Owl Lane to Gawthorpe/Chancery Road and A638. Further development in the area will further exasperate an already desperate situation here that has required intervention for quite some time.</p> <p>Heybeck lane is a narrow winding road that is used to avoid the build of traffic on Leeds Road during buisier times of heavy traffic, futher exasperated by the new builds on Owl Lane and McDonalds. These roads are not designed for heavy goods vehicles or the sheer volume of traffic they see daily now.</p> <p>Our local town and infrastructure can not cope with the increased population this proposed development will bring. Our schools, Dr's surgeries, dentists, hospitals and services are already stretched far beyond what is acceptable. The waiting list for an NHS dentist within a 25 mile radius of this area is over 25 years now, with most waitlists closed to new applicants. Primary and secondary schools are at capacity, many are already over subscribed. The proposed developments with further stretch all these services which are already on their knees.</p> <p>I have further concerns for the Ancient Woodlands, Dum wood and Dogloitch wood, which are on the Ancient Woodland Register, designated local wildlife sites, part of the Kirklees wildlife habitat network and are under TPO's.</p> <p>The proposals would divert water away from these woodlands, effectively killing off the wildlife and habitats within them, and causing the drying out and slow death of the woodlands. The streams and waterways which run through these Ancient Woodlands</p>	

woodlands. The streams and waterways which run through these Ancient woodlands and the woodlands themselves are home to many different species, many of them protected, listed and are species of principle importance.

Surveys of this site are out of date and vastly inaccurate.

Suggestions of a dried up and weed choked waterway that despite an incredibly dry summer with far below average rainfall is actually a functioning and free flowing waterway that is supplying the Ancient Woodlands and is home to a number of listed and endangered species. These surveys must be updated and be a material consideration in any plans going forward.

In the community I have not heard a single person speak in favour of this proposed development. People are scared of what will happen, devastated by the thought of the loss of our green spaces, concern for the mental wellbeing of those of us who regularly access the green spaces, fearful for the future of our communities and for future generations; their ability to access essential services and green space. We want to protect what we have and help secure it for future generations, once its gone, its gone forever, the damage cannot be undone.