

## 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
<p>I object to this site for the following reasons:</p> <p>The site is on the A653 which is an extremely busy road and presents a pollution risk. The site is on the border of Kirklees, Wakefield and Leeds local authority boundaries and this land and area acts as a zero carbon emission 'green lung'.</p> <p>There are other proposed sites nearby such as those at Haigh Woods and the cumulative affect of all the extra housing would be catastrophic to wildlife habitat in this area.</p> <p>Many public footpaths traverse this land including Leg 2 of the Leeds Country Way. These footpaths are used by walkers and runners as an escape from the busy nearby highways. Building here would have a huge impact on mental health.</p> <p>The proposal for 1500+ houses is a massive development and represents urban sprawl and puts further agricultural land in neighbouring fields under threat in the future. It sets a worrying precedent for future development which is likely to be tagged onto this land.</p> <p>Public transport is poor in this area. There is no train station within easy reach. The nearest is Batley which not all trains stop at.</p> <p>Development here will bring an approximate population increase of 4000. Therefore, local infrastructure such as schools, healthcare settings will not be able to cope with the increase of population.</p> <p>Concreting over land such as this reduces the area for precipitation and is likely to increase the risk of flooding.</p> <p>The development is totally out of proportion for the area and as we move into the post Covid era the planning estimates need to be revisited</p>