

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 would like to object to the application on the following grounds</p> <p>The existing road infrastructure is not designed for this level of development. The road around the area on Dewsbury Road, the motorway and into Ossett are already at capacity. At peak times the number of vehicles is such that journey times are already increasing with increasing traffic pollution stationary traffic and noise to the existing community. It is currently very hard to get out of the village onto Owl Lane at present, a significant increase in traffic will only compound this situation. An additional 2500+ cars plus the other developments proposed in the area means this will only get worse. This will also contribute to climate change with the loss of green space as well as the increased traffic pollution.</p> <p>The area is unique in being the point at which 3 West Yorkshire authorities come together providing valuable green space to all 3 authorities which if lost will have a detrimental effect on not just Kirklees residents but those of Leeds and Wakefield. Having read the environmental assessment I find it strange and worrying that it appears to indicate little or no bat activity. The area is inhabited by bats as I have spent hours watching them on an evening for the last 24 years as well as other animals personally sighted being foxes, deer, various rodents including water voles in the stream further down from the area. Many of the hedgerows and trees are classed as ancient and are vital for wildlife to survive. It is noted that some trees will be preserved but without the green space, wildlife will no diverse environment to exist. The development will increase the demand for school places in higher educational schools which are not being addressed by this application.</p> <p>The development of industrial units will increase the day time noise level in the area again adversely affecting the existing communities.</p> <p>The development will serious impact the character of the area impacting on the wellbeing of communities. COVID has shown the importance of green space, being well used by people taking advantage of the open fields and nature, much needed to maintain the mental health wellbeing of us all. The loss of this area will impact removing significant green space from the area. Once this area is gone, it is gone forever for future generations.</p> <p>This is not the only application in this area and this with others will simply overwhelm this part of West Yorkshire.</p>