

About the application

Application number: 2019/92787	
What is the application for?:	Revised proposal: Erection of 280 dwellings with open space, landscaping and ass
Address of the site or building:	Land at Owl Lane, Chidswell, Dewsbury
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection
<p>Since this development contains the gateway road for two other adjoining proposed developments this application should be read with those two schemes rather than in isolation.</p> <p>Application 2020/60/92331/E 1,354 dwellings, 35 hectares employment development</p> <p>Application 2020/60/92350/E 181 dwellings</p> <p>Objections to this development</p> <p>Green field site development - Although this site isn't technically green field this is only because an area exactly the same size and shape as this combined development was removed from greenfield in February 2019 as part of the Kirklees Local Plan.</p> <p>Health & Education Impact – The local GP's already have more patients than the national average & the schools are overstretched this additional houses will only exacerbate the problem.</p> <p>Unrealistic Travel Plan – The travel plan states that people are likely to walk/cycle to places of work such as Dewsbury this ignores the local hills and traffic on the route. As a reasonably fit cyclist I wouldn't be willing to cycle to Dewsbury at rush hour and suggest that anyone who thinks this is a reasonable form of transport try it for themselves. The buses are also only once an hour which makes commuting to local hubs like Leeds and Wakefield approx. twice as long as by car.</p> <p>Lack of parking – The plans don't follow Kirklees guidance for visitors spacing of 1 per 4 dwellings. Also some of the 4 bed houses don't seem to have space for 3 cars provided.</p> <p>Bad access – there are several houses that can only exit onto Windsor Road. This road is already frequently full of parked cars so visibility will be poor. There are others whose only access is onto Chidswell Lane some with direct drives, this is a single track road with limited visibility which is a regular walking route for lots of the community. This number of accesses will make it an unsafe place for people to walk &</p>

cycle.

Inadequate local roads- The transport assessment was carried out for 275 dwellings not the 280 in the application. The traffic count was carried out in June 2017 which was before 175 houses on Amberwood Chase was finished. This would have added already to the local roads. Also the further development of 1500 houses is mentioned this doesn't seem to have been included in the traffic assessment, there is likely to be significant traffic from this on all routes. The Shaw Cross junction is already operating at close to/ at full capacity. The new development will take the junction over capacity operating at 130%.

Inadequate drainage - Kirklees recently changed their guidance to 40% climate change allowance, the assessment was only done to 30% so should be reviewed.

We believe that this development and especially the combined extended development isn't in keeping with the local area and will considerably over stress the local services and infrastructure. We request that when the application is reviewed that this is taken into account.

I have emailed a more in depth objection to the council under the same name and address.