

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

This is a fantastic natural habitat. My main objection is the large number of brownfield sites in the wider area that have remained undeveloped for several years around Dewsbury and Batley, even in Shaw Cross alone, examples include the former site of jet garage at shaw cross traffic lights and the site of field head house on Chidswell Lane. As part of this planning application Kirklees should confirm the total acreage of brownfield sites within a 5 mile radius In Kirklees and justify why this is not being redeveloped prior to destroying what should have remained as green belt. This would have a far lasting and bigger impact on the attractiveness of Dewsbury and Batley as desirable places to live. If the area is so in need of homes why is brownfield land not being developed first? The new houses in these brownfield areas would also create much needed regeneration.

The natural habitat is fantastic and I regularly enjoy walking across the field using the footpaths this should be conserved.

During the evening Bats are a common site and it would be disappointing to lose these.

Traffic at peak times on Leeds Road and Owl Lane is very high with Chidswell Lane regularly being used as a RAT run. If this development takes place the Chidswell Lane access at Jet Garage should be considered for closure or made one way (downhill) to remove potential for this to increase in volume.

Increase in traffic will also increase localised NoX emissions and noise pollution

Impact on privacy of existing housing should be considered perhaps by landscaping the houses deeper into the valley.

The character of the area is under threat from yet another red brick clone estate, again if this goes ahead use of Yorkshire sandstone should be mandatory consistent with other houses in the area such as on Manor Park which overlooks this development.

I also worry that the proposed landscaping and school will be modified out of the application following approval. If this development goes ahead Kirklees should mandate that the landscaping and school is build prior to the construction of the housing.