

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

I wish to object as the proposals do not concur with the three interdependent objectives of sustainable development which is at the heart of the National Planning Policy Framework (2019).

An economic objective

- When considering the proposed number of houses and industrial buildings in the location and the capability of the area to successfully accommodate the proposals;
- Development needs to be sustainable for both existing and future populations; and
- The proposals represent the wrong type of development in the wrong place and at the wrong time.

A social objective

- Pressure on local services such as schools, doctors surgeries and public amenities which will be unable to cope with future demand;
- Unacceptable demands on communities both within the Kirklees Council administrative boundary and neighbouring local authorities given the existing programme of house building which is already envisaged; and
- Increased pollution and traffic levels on the local environment and population.

An environmental objective.

- There is a clear imbalance in terms of the scale, type and design of the proposals with the existing settlement character. The proposals will result in an irrevocable change;
- Allocated areas identified by Kirklees Council as being suitable for development in theory as part of the planning process need to be effective in practice. The current design as it stands is not;
- The site has stronger links to open areas of agricultural land and woodland rather than the urban fringe. If the proposals are permitted in their current form it would become the urban fringe. The scale, type and mix of the proposals are totally imbalanced when considering the existing settlement and landscape setting; and
- The masterplan as it stands is not an example of good design as it creates a lack of connection between areas of development. The industrial buildings are set between areas of proposed housing and infrastructure (e.g. school). Thereby, creating an isolated island of unrelated and segmented built form which has no spatial or character connections either to other areas of proposed development or the current settlement pattern and landscape setting.