

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>The proposed development at Shaw Cross / Chidswell is, to put it bluntly, absolutely ridiculous. Having lived in this area for 35 years and have seen the traffic increase enormously in recent years. At peak periods the traffic system struggles to cope, with queues stretching back from Shaw Cross almost to Heybeck Lane and the full length of Owl Lane to the Ossett bypass, with drivers trying to miss out Shaw Cross bottleneck by turning off the A653 onto Chidswell Lane and Windsor Road making things even worse. The addition of thousands more vehicles into the area from 1354 houses and various other buildings is unthinkable. There is already the huge Shaw Cross Business Park off Owl Lane at Chidswell. Chidswell Lane itself is totally unsuitable for heavy traffic. Vehicles going to Ossett and HGV's going to the M1 will be a nightmare at peak times on Owl Lane.</p> <p>The A653 becomes single carriageway at Shaw Cross with double lights, a one way system, a school, a club and a badly congested single carriageway to Dewsbury. There will be a cumulative impact on Heybeck Lane, Soothill Lane and Tingley roundabout, already an accident blackspot, with traffic heading to the M62, Leeds and White Rose Centre having to use the A653. Covid19 had reduced traffic volume. It is now increasing and will, without a doubt, come back even worse than it was before.</p> <p>The negative impact of this huge development on the whole area and the residents will, without a doubt, be immense. The loss of Green Belt, diverse wildlife, and farming along with long term air pollution, noise and dirt, will affect both the physical and mental health of everyone in the affected area, many of them elderly and in poor health made worse by the stress of Covid.19. Their lives affected not just for a few months to build a few houses, but for a decade or more!!</p> <p>There must be many other sites in the Kirklees area, including Brownfield that are far more suited to the proposed developments which will cause massive long term disruption to peoples' lives and create an urban sprawl with Kirklees, Wakefield and Leeds. The whole character of the area will be destroyed forever. Once the damage is done it can never be reversed!!</p>