

About the application

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| 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

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| Type of comment: An objection |
| <p>I wish to register my objection to the proposed planning application 2020/92331</p> <p>My objections are as follows:</p> <p>The junction that intersects Leeds Road and Heybeck Lane and the junction of Leeds Road and Shawcross are known congested areas. The introduction of further traffic without any further significant road improvements to these areas will only exacerbate the risk to life.</p> <p>At peak times the traffic between Heybeck Lane and Shawcross is at a standstill, causing significant pollution to the surrounding area and preventing local residents from having quiet enjoyment of their properties. The levels of pollution will only increase as the vehicles from the developments enter and egress the sites.</p> <p>The site bounds part of the national woodlands of England which provides a safe environment for a number of protected species of flora and fauna. The development will disturb their habitat, putting further pressure on the delicate ecological systems of the area.</p> <p>The noise and dust created during the construction phase will similarly create the same issues.</p> <p>Whilst I recognise that the site has been designated as a mixed use development area, planning consent was previously refused on the basis that the site was identified as greenfield. What has changed in the Kirklees planning policy to reclassify this space since the last rejection, as the fears and concerns of the local residents remain consistent and unanswered from this previous application</p> <p>Whilst the council are considering granting planning permission for this site, could I just ask do they take into consideration other planning permissions already granted within the immediate area:</p> <p>2016/93929 - Amberwood Chase - 206 dwellings - granted (currently building)</p> <p>2018/94189 - Soothill Lane - 366 dwellings - granted (not yet started)</p> <p>2019/92787 - Chidswell - 280 dwellings - granted (not yet started)</p> <p>2019/91476 - Rumble Road - 149 dwellings - granted (currently building)</p> <p>Having already granted permission for 1001 new dwellings, can this area really accommodate another 1354 against this application & also 181 against 2020/92350 Heybeck Lane, thereby potentially granting permission for 2536 dwellings within 1-1.5 mile radius !!! All this and we haven't even gone down the route of the industrial/commercial development within this application, and also the new builds on the Wakefield Council boundary to Chidswell.</p> |

With many households these days owning 2-3 cars this equates to the possibility of approx 6500 additional vehicles joining the main Leeds Road area, this without taking into consideration the commercial vehicles - can you honestly say that air & noise pollution, traffic congestion & safety etc will not be an issue in an area that is already to capacity, saturated with vehicles and residents, accommodate this vast amount of planning.

This area of greenbelt has been a godsend to the local residents and others especially throughout this Covid-19 era. It has been a lifeline to so many being able to enjoy walks without endangering others, breathing in the fresh air whilst taking in the beauty of the area, seeing wildlife, farmers growing their crops, ploughing their fields - earning a living. Teaching our children the wonders of wildlife on our doorstep in an area that is classed as deprived, watching the fly around on an evening or the during the day. Granting planning permission for this site would be an atrocity to the area becoming more like London, concrete city, where children may never see or enjoy actual wildlife. Where is all the wildlife going to go, where are we going to grow crops to feed the livestock & us for that matter. We want keep the conservation of the natural environment now and for years to come.