

About the application

Application number: 2020/93954	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 42 dwellings and associated works
Address of the site or building:	Land at, Lingards Road, Slaithwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5HY
Postcode:	HD7 5AL

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes
We continue to oppose this development in its proposed form. Despite the numerous objections and detailed submissions from residents and concerned parties, the plans are still unacceptable. Our previous objection, published on the Kirklees Portal on the 16th November, remains valid and we feel that this application should be refused and rejected in its current form. • Building designs are not appropriate for this rural hillside landscape, in particular 3 storey dwellings built on plinths. Surely it would be more appropriate to nestle 2 storey houses into the hillside set away from the boundaries, following the contours and natural topography, where their visual impact could be minimised. (as per the 2015 Kirklees planning advice for low density development) • The sheer number, height and density of the housing is not appropriate for this rural Pennine location, having an unacceptable, adverse impact on neighbouring individual privacy, and the landscape, where this development will be visible from large swathes of the valley. At this time rural areas should not be turned into urban estates. Local amenities, doctors, dentists, schools etc. are already overloaded. • The houses lower down the site, situated on Manchester Road and including the historic listed buildings, will be dwarfed, badly overlooked and negatively affected by this development in numerous ways. • Lingards Road is mostly a narrow, single track country road with limited visibility and few passing places, used by a variety of vehicles, some of which find the route difficult to negotiate at the best of times. The additional traffic, and extra parked vehicles from the houses with direct access to Lingards Road, will compromise this further. • This site has numerous drainage issues with many natural springs and water courses which appear with consistency throughout the year. It is rarely dry and often transformed into what can only be described as a swamp, with the risk of flooding to lower lying properties. This could be made worse if hidden water courses and hard landscaping are disturbed by the development. This has been highlighted extensively by previous, more qualified contributors. In conclusion, we ask that our local planning officers read, look carefully at these plans, the numerous objections, past and present, and work with the local residents and developer to resolve the objections, towards an appropriate solution for this site.	