

About the application

Application number: 2021/90299	
What is the application for?:	Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of detached dwelling with integral
Address of the site or building:	154, Gomersal Lane, Gomersal, Cleckheaton, BD19 4JQ
Postcode:	BD19 4JQ

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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Little Gomersal, a small hamlet between Cleckheaton and Heckmondwike in the industrial Spen Valley. It is a village of mostly small, low lying workers cottages dating back some 200 years. Most buildings are constructed from local Yorkshire stone with Yorkshire roofing flags. Larger, later properties are built using the same building materials. 154 Gomersal Lane was built in the early '70's and is one of an identically matching pair of low lying bungalows on one site with one shared drive and commissioned after being on display at an International Design Exhibition. It is a matter of opinion whether the existing dwelling 'has no architectural merit' (as stated in the document accompanying the planning application) but what it definitely is, is one of a matching pair of dwellings which sit comfortably and unobtrusively in the local landscape. The drive is accessed at a very narrow pinch point in the lane on the corner of a right angle bend in the road. There have been many vehicle accidents where the Police have had to arrange for residents walls to be taken down, just to release vehicles from this corner. In the interest of the local community, I STRONGLY urge and politely request that the planning officers are able to visit the site before any decision is reached in order to truly appreciate the unique nature of these most sympathetic buildings. A photograph in the planning application document appears to show the property to the west of 154 Gomersal Lane towering over the bungalow. It is imperative for officers to see the true perspective for themselves. The local architecture and scale of surrounding properties must please be taken in to consideration. The village is in sever danger of being dwarfed by an out of character mega-mansion (who needs 10 WC's in one house?!). I recall that the site had a Covenant placed on it and I would sincerely appreciate the planning officers be allowed time to consider this too. Thank you for taking the time to read my points of view.	