

About the application

Application number: 2021/91150	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 4 detached dwellings
Address of the site or building:	rear of, 66, Child Lane, Roberttown, Liversedge, WF15 7QG
Postcode:	BD4 6RD

User comments

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Birds are already nesting in the hedgerows. It is a criminal offence to destroy any nesting site, eggs, or kill or injure chicks or adults during the breeding season.

this is covered under the conservation of habitats & species regs 2010, as detailed on WY Police website. An offer to investigate this was made by the tree consultant used in 2017, but not taken up, although all the conditions exist for their habitat.

Refusal of Permission for Development 27 April 2004, when only 3 properties were planned - 'the proposed development would represent an intensification in use of traffic at a substandard access with inadequate sightlines, detrimental to highway safety & contrary to policies D2, BE1 & T10 of the then KUDP'. Appealed & dismissed 19/07/2004. This was 17 years ago.

T10 is now LP21, highways & access and policy justification, Kirklees Local Plan Strategy & Policies, adopted 27/02/2019. Page 104 of the booklet. The volume of traffic has increased considerably since those days, including the fact that the junction at the fountain lights now stops traffic turning left, so all traffic turning towards Leeds has to come through the village.

Child Lane is a single carriageway, used by cars, wagons, Arriva buses, pedestrians, elderly, mobility scooters, prams, schoolchildren and cyclists. Traffic queues back to Melton Way at peak times at the moment, and will increase further as all return to work.

There is nowhere for site traffic to park other than on Child Lane or Fountain Drive. Lisa Holmes said she would take this further with Callum Harrison, as it would cause traffic congestion/disruption for the long term of the construction, ongoing congestion as visitors/delivery/workers would park on here as no space for them on site when houses constructed. Also, there are businesses on Fountain Drive, (hairdressers and dog grooming), and if the above decide to use the parking outside their premises instead, then this would cause increased congestion on this road, which would force business traffic further up outside the bungalows,

Any attempt to park on the pavements would likely caused users to enter the road and be put in danger. Also, extreme caution has to be taken to enter Child Lane from property at this side due to the above pedestrians, and it is a blind RH bend back to the lights, and difficult to judge (including for those exiting Fountain Drive). Removing vegetation at the entrance to the site will not resolve this. You only need to stand there and wait to cross the road at this point as a pedestrian to understand.

Access to Newsmiths is also opposite no 66, and I wonder if they are aware of this development, as the lorries enter & exit at this point, and often use the full width of Child Lane for maneuvering here.

Also, the design & access statement you have posted up has been copied & pasted from 2017, with only a few minor changes, and is dated prior to the very large developments of residential housing already built & being built just round the corner on Leeds Road, and that large estate to be built straight opposite Teales, which will no doubt add further to the traffic coming into Child Lane.