

About the application

Application number: 2021/92527	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 38 dwellings, formation of access, public space, attenuation and ass
Address of the site or building:	land off, Cockley Hill Lane, Kirkheaton, Huddersfield, HD5 0HH
Postcode:	BD8 9TF

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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I object to this proposal because: This land is on green belt. Planning has already been granted for a brownfield site within Kirkheaton and on land at Cockley Hill. Losing more land to housing at this stage when the need cannot be proven cannot be justified. Furthermore, The National Planning Policy Framework (19 February 2019) states "Green Belt boundaries should only be altered where exceptional circumstances are fully evidenced and justified". In this instance, no such circumstances exist The development would involve the felling of at least 40 trees of greater than 50 cm dbh. These trees will sequester between 1 and 2 tonnes of carbon a year and their destruction will release in the order of 12 tonnes of carbon from trunk, branches and roots. The approval of this proposal would therefore be contrary to the Council's declared climate emergency and carbon reduction targets. There are Pipistrelle and Noctule bats feeding in the area and a strong likelihood of roosts in the trees. The trees are a significant landscape feature and will screen the houses above from the development already agreed on Cockley Hill. There is a footpath through the site and no provision has been made for this.	