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**To:** [DCAdmin](#)  
**Subject:** Objection to the erection of 65 dwellings with associated works on the land at Lady Ann Road, Soothill, Batley, WF17 0PY - Application number 2021/94280  
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To whom it may concern

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I live with \_\_\_\_\_ at number 14 Primrose Hill, Batley. The back of house and garden overlook the land where the proposed houses are to be built.

I was upset to hear that yet again there has been another application submitted to build houses on this land. There have been many points made as to why this land is unsuitable for building, such as it being a flood plain – we have regularly seen over the years the river at the bottom burst its banks and flood the surrounding field, the general effect to the surrounding area due to the addition of this new infrastructure, the strain on local schools and doctors due to a rise in additional families in the area etc. The additional cars needing access to and from site, possibly 2 cars required per household, as well as years of construction vehicles going back and forth.

I have lived in the house for over 12 years and really enjoy the general peace and quiet in this area, along with all the wildlife that lives and thrives on this piece of land beyond our garden. We are essentially in a valley in this area, where sound travels. In Summer when I have the windows open I can hear someone's conversation down the hill and on the street of Lady Ann Road. I can only imagine that with the erection of 65 new dwellings, each with their cars, garden parties in Summer, music playing, shouting etc. This will be unbearable and certainly not be the generally quiet neighbourhood it is now.

My other real concern is the effect on the wildlife in this area. There are reportedly Water Voles – which are vulnerable to extinction in Great Britain, as well as Great Crested Newts – which are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. Barn Owls, Tawny Owls, Foxes, Squirrels, to name but a few species that I have seen. I recently installed a bird call app on my phone as I had been hearing a call all Summer which I did not recognise, and it came back as a Common Crane – again which are a threatened species in the UK, where several wildlife organisations are attempting to re-introduce back to wetlands across the UK.

- Please could you take my comments and objections to the erection of 65 dwellings with associated works on the land at Lady Ann Road, Soothill, Batley, WF17 0PY into consideration - Application number 2021/94280.

- Thank you.