

Address: 14 Hermitage Park Huddersfield HD8 0JU

About the application

Application number: 2022/91735	
What is the application for?:	Outline application, with access and layout, for the erection of 80 dwellings an
Address of the site or building:	Land off, Hermitage Park, Lepton, Huddersfield, HD8 0JU
Postcode:	

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There are a number of areas of concern, including pumped sewage, drainage from the site, land and waste water drainage into Fenay Beck causing flooding downstream. However I wish to focus on two areas:

In the Consultation response from Highway's development management, they are being DECEITFUL. They stated: _

"The applicant proposed 150-200 dwellings initially at the Local Plan stage, but following further negotiations, HDM have arrived at a maximum of 80 dwellings"

The truth is that after negotiations Highway's agree to 30-50 houses.

However some months later after further badgering by the developers Highways lifted the figure to 80 houses. Why???

Why do Highways always give in to developers, but always ignore residents and local people's concerns??? It is local people who have to put up with the chaos caused by them

The figure of 80 houses is ludicrous for a number of reasons, but I wish to highlight two areas of serious concern

1. HERMITAGE PARK IS UNSUITABLE for traffic from such a large development that shows 275 parking spaces. In addition construction traffic would also cause a serious problem.

The road camber down to Rowley later is steeper than recommended and it has an adverse camber. Sight lines both up and down Rowley Lane from the junction are very poor. Visibility by cars coming up Hermitage Park is poor because of the bend and parked cars. Accidents have occurred when cars have skidded into Rowley Lane in snowy conditions. There are also risks to children from the school crossing the road. Construction traffic on that road would be a nightmare.

2. LEPTON GREAT WOOD It is ancient woodland having been there since at least 1600AD. The Woodland Trust recommends a 50m strip between the wood and any development. Kirklees Planning have chosen a 20m strip. This land was previously Greenbelt. It has now been accepted by Kirklees that the number of houses needed is lower than they have planned for. So there is no need to decimate the countryside and as a minimum they could move to a 50m strip between Lepton Great Wood and a new housing development,

In fact why don't Kirklees Planner's encourage build on brown land such as the huge area at Jarmains, Dalton and Broadhead and Graves, Lepton.

For heavens sake protect the countryside for future generations and give up grovelling and caving in to developers!!