To whomever it may concern

Re: LAND ADJ, 67, CHAPELGATE, SCHOLES, HOLMFIRTH, HD9 1SX
ERECTION OF 10 AFFORDABLE DWELLINGS, WITH ACCESS FROM CHAPELGATE AND ASSOCIATED WORKS, INCLUDING RESIDENT PLAY ZONE
Planning Application number 2022/92406

My comments to be added on line for others to see whilst still time to read and respond to/add to:

I strongly object to this application as it mis-represents the concept of "affordable housing":
it gives the impression that I would be able to buy a house at an affordable price.
I understood from the initial consultation that the term "affordable housing" gave us the right to buy - NOT RENT.
Therefore we should not be losing this piece of land for any housing use, given the amount of new houses recently erected in the area - many NOT AFFORDABLE.
(People living, working or visiting)* the area - should continue to have the right of access across the whole area.
If the land was to be sold then they* be given the choice to buy a share(s) and not change the use of said land.
By turning "affordable housing" from a purchase to rental proposition, Eco Holmes Community Land Trust have taken out of the local community a community resource and turned it into their own rental-income stream.
The fact that those rents would be deemed "affordable" is not the point - most rents of those size properties on the open market are by default "affordable" due to their overall size - this is hardly acting in a humanitarian capacity but feels to go against their "Eco" status.
For those of us who recently listened to a ***Radio 4 Farming Today Programme re: Eco-homes - that landowner was indeed building to sell to enable first time buyers IN THAT AREA to get onto the property ladder as opposed to remain renting - the point being - once you're tied into the rental market it is very hard to step out of it (especially given today "cost of living") as saving up for a***

deposit is difficult.