Address: 33 Cleveland Road Huddersfield hd1 4pp

About the application

Application number: 2022/91822	
	Modify Section 106 obligation relating to previous permission 2014/93014 for out
Address of the site or building:	Land at Edgerton Road, Huddersfield, HD3 3AA
Postcode:	LS21 1AQ

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The above application seeks to remove financial obligations that were central to the decision to grant outline planning permission.

Given the 'nominal' fee (Inspector's words) that the developer paid for the site, and the significant increase in land value since the permission was granted, it would seem highly unlikely that at a minimum, full contributions cannot be made.

Affordable Housing & Educational Provision

The Affordable Housing contribution as considered by the Inspector when determining the Outline Planning Permission did not fully meet the contribution level normally required. The scheme was considered 'on balance', given the other benefits that bringing forward housing on this site would provide. It should also be acknowledged that the Inspector took into account the fact that Kirklees Council was not able to demonstrate a 5-year housing land supply at this time, so the 'tilted balance' was in play.

Kirklees can now demonstrate a 5-year housing land supply, so there seems no reason why a policy compliant scheme cannot be delivered to support the most effective use of

land for Kirkland's allocated havising sitos. This should include a contribution for

affordable housing if it is not possible to provide this housing on site

The financial contribution towards educational provision is calculated with reference to number of units proposed unit sizes and projected pupil numbers. As there has been no change to the plan, this need appears to be unchanged, so the contribution should remain the same.

Sustainable Transport

Within their '2025 Kirklees Transport Vision' Kirklees Council has set an ambitious 20year Transport Vision to allow sustainable transport systems to flourish. It would be difficult to see how this would be achieved without significant investment from development sites as the future occupiers become service users.

If there is an extant permission in place, then it should be that the most efficient use of land is made, with a policy compliant and sustainable development scheme.

I politely request therefore that application no 2022/91822 is refused