About the application

Application number: 2023/90348	
What is the application for?:	Erection of community sports complex (within a Conservation Area)
Address of the site or building:	Former Hillhouse Bowling Club, King Cliff Road, Birkby, Huddersfield, HD2 2RR
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes

I do NOT wish my name, postal address or any reference in the text to my address to be published.

Greetings Sir/Madam,
I'm writing to express my opposition to the planned construction of a neighbourhood sports complex (Black Metal Box). While I recognise the value of having sports facilities in our area, I firmly feel that this plan should not go forward for a number of issues.

Firstly, this proposal of the sports complex is

and if the proposal was to go ahead there's a possibility of increase in noise and crime rate as it attracts all age ranges, traffic issues and much more for example the sun path was missing on the site plan in which is most important as if this structure is to be approved, then the sunlight will disappear affecting
as well as other factors
Also, in this area come and play along this unadopted road and if strangers were to come along more frequently then this will not feel homely and is risky to allow the children to go out and play within their home area. This will invade mine and others Privacy.

Secondly, the site where the proposed building is to be erected was formerly a bowling green with a very tiny membership serving a very remote area. However, it is clear that the proposed sports complex will serve a larger population, which will definitely put a burden on the road system and further transform the parking problems to worsen. Additionally, increased traffic on the roads may make it more difficult to reach services like Kirklees waste collections. The effect on the neighbourhood in terms of parking, traffic, and safety is unacceptable, and it will exacerbate the issues already faced by the locals.

The proposed development would overlook neighbouring properties and gardens to a greater extent than the current building. The proposed choice of cladding (Black

greater extent than the current building. The proposed choice of cladding (Black Sheeting Cladding) is unsympathetic to the character of the local area There are no buildings anywhere in the surrounding streets with this type of cladding and will make the residential area not feel homely or welcoming it would change the residential are to look like an industrial estate.

There would be demand for parking for up to 7 more vehicles on the congested street as there are no parking on site in the plan, causing congestion on the unadopted residential road. The applicant has not provided evidence that the building's sewerage system has the capacity to cope with the additional 6 sitting and 2 standing toilets as the floor plan drawing indicates.
The addition of a sports centre will increase the noise from the building which will affect everyone who uses their gardens as well as neighbouring buildings.

There is often quite a lot of noise from other residents in their gardens (especially during the summer months) and the addition of more outdoor spaces will only increase the noise level further as the planning application box was ticked “NO” to the Question ARE HOURS OF OPENING RELEVANT TO THIS PROPOSAL?” which is absolutely bizarre as this site is surrounded in residential homes.

I appreciate you taking the time to think about this and I’m looking forward for your reply