About the application

Application number: 2023/91212	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 16 dwellings with access from Laithe Avenue
Address of the site or building:	Land off, Bankfield Drive, Holmbridge, Holmfirth, HD9 2PH
Postcode:	

User comments

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

I would like to object to this planning application on the grounds of pedestrian safety, traffic generation, noise and air pollution, damage to water, drainage and sewer systems and nature conservation.

The pavements on Laithe Bank Drive and Bankfield Drive are in a terrible condition. When the weather is wet or icy, pedestrians have to walk in the road. There are no pavements on the Bankfield Drive Junction, Smithy Lane, Bank Lane, Dobb Top Road and Dobb Lane resulting in pedestrians having no option but to walk in the road. This includes children walking to and from Hinchliffe Mill School, Holmbridge Pre-school and students walking to the bus stop to travel to College. Plus dog walkers and runners. The roads are far too busy already and therefore any extra cars plus delivery vans would make the situation far more dangerous.

The roads are already congested and there are steep slopes on Laithe Bank Drive and Bankfield Drive. In icy weather some cars have slid down and crashed into the wall on Dobb Top Road, fortunately stopping and not going over the sheer drop! There is also a minibus route and it is popular with cyclists. There are also numerous parked cars and vans.
An extra 16 houses with a possible 2 cars each could create up to 64 vehicles travelling up and down each day.

The large volume of extra traffic will create more noise and air pollution which is of course not healthy for our well being.

The addition of 16 houses will put a huge strain on our water, drainage and sewer systems. Some residents have had problems with flooding due to the various streams that wind underground and any further ground excavation could cause even more problems.

The area is a haven for wildlife including hedgehogs, hares, pheasants, ducks, deer and many species of birds. Any building work would affect their habitats.

In conclusion, I strongly ask you to consider my valid reasons for objecting to this planning application. The health and safety of all people and animals is paramount.