

Address: 52 Carr Hill Road Huddersfield HD8 8XN

About the application

Application number: 2023/91280	
What is the application for?:	Quarrying operations for the extraction of clay, shale and incidental coal and s
Address of the site or building:	Bromley Farm Quarry, Barnsley Road, Upper Cumberworth, Huddersfield, HD8 8PD
Postcode:	S36 4HG

User comments

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I wish to object to the proposed quarrying activities at Bromley Farm.

As a resident of Carr Hill Road, I am extremely concerned at the impact of an anticipated vastly increased flow of heavy transport along our residential road. It is used as a "cut through" from Barnsley Road to the Penistone Road and is already very busy. There have been numerous complaints of speeding and dangerous driving submitted to local councillors and Police.

Carr Hill Road has a tarmac pavement on the north side of the road but only for a short length up to no 56, thereafter pedestrians need to walk on the grass verge and where the verges are overgrown, on the road itself.

The road is very well used by pedestrians, dog walkers, runners, cyclists and horse riders. There are active stables at one of the properties and these are used daily. The road also gives direct access to four well trodden public footpaths.

A weight limit on vehicles over 3 tons has been imposed on traffic travelling eastwards from Penistone Road but traffic travelling westwards from Barnsley Road have no such restrictions. This means that traffic entering at the Star Pub need to manoeuvre an extremely tight turn into Carr Hill Road closely followed by a blind bend at Park Lane which is hazardous enough for cars never mind a large heavily loaded truck. This is quickly followed by a further tight left hand bend. Cars are legitimately parked, at all times of day, on this part of the road as there are few facilities for off road parking. This makes it very difficult for opposing flows of traffic to pass, resulting in driver frustration, dangerous driving and increased air pollution. Grass frontages and walls to residents' properties will be damaged by passing waggons.

Presuming that lorries will cross westwards from Carr Hill Road onto Cumberworth Lane, travelling towards Lane Head, this will cause a hazardous situation of slow moving vehicles crossing both lanes of the A629 (Penistone Road) a busy main road near a blind bend and subject to many accidents over the years.

The potential dust, noise and fumes of the increased traffic flow will be horrendous affecting children walking to the nearby school. the potential effect on my health is worrying.

On the Environmental point – yes Upper Dearne Woodlands will suffer but much closer to the traffic movements is Turpin Hill. This is a two acre field directly east next to the proposed exit road from the quarry to Barnsley Road. It is a recognised area of intensive habitats of wild grassland with over 80 species of wild flowers and grasses plus home to a variety of butterflies and moths. Some of which are very rare to the county. This area will be greatly affected by the increased fumes, dust and noise, endangering all occupants. It is currently looked after by the Garganey Conservation Trust.

I note that all three of our local councillors representing this area are members of the Environmental & Climate Change Scrutiny Panel and this application should be very high on their priority list. I look to them to make a firm stand against the proposal.