

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 support the group objections in this matter.

Transport: Lorries are to turn left at the Sovereign crossroads, an accident blackspot. It is more likely that Carr Hill Road will be used. The junction with the A629 from Carr Hill Road is also the site of many accidents. These will likely increase as traffic hurtles towards Penistone after leaving Sovereign crossroads, ignoring the 30mph limit after that point.

The junction at The Star is a very tight turn for very large vehicles, and particularly difficult when traffic approaches from the opposite direction in Carr Hill Road. Traffic lights would be necessary as this is also a very busy spot.

The hazard to pedestrians would be greatly increased because much of Carr Hill Road does not have pavements.

If HGVs are being used to gain access to the quarry, has the existing access route been assessed for suitability? What alternative route is available?

Air Quality. It is difficult to see how air quality would not be impacted, given the frequency and load type of the vehicles. Even if lorries followed the A635 route, residents of Carr Hill Road would be detrimentally affected by the fallout from the huge increase in road freight. It appears from a recent study by industry experts that air quality assessments are both inadequate and incorrect and taken from figures that were applied to a completely different area. It seems grossly unfair to mislead citizens paying local taxes to have these deleterious effects inflicted on them.

Ecology: The impact on our wildlife is unknown. Cumberworth is host to a wide variety which relies on the human population to maintain an environment in which it can survive. There will be massive disturbance once quarrying on already approved sites begins. Will alternative habitats for foxes, badgers, voles, moles, owls and many more be found?

The lower standard of living will be deeply felt by humans and wildlife alike from noise and air pollution if these plans go ahead.

Full access to plans: It would seem that these have been denied. Can a reason be given for denial? It does not help residents to make a full assessment of the potential impact.