

About the application

Application number: 2023/93667	
What is the application for?:	Outline application, including the consideration of access for vehicle into the
Address of the site or building:	Storthes Hall Student Village, Storthes Hall Lane, Kirkburton, Huddersfield, HD8 0WA
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes
As is obvious from the general comments the traffic at the bottom of storthes hall lane joining penistone road is already over populated and a constant danger, and the addition of this development will bring chaos and further endanger the residents in the area. However the proposed development should be refused as it fails to meet the sustainable transport requirements outlined in the Kirklees Local Plan. Located 1.7km from the nearest bus stop, the site does not provide adequate access to public transportation, which is essential for reducing car dependency and promoting sustainable travel modes. This distance significantly exceeds the recommended 400-800 meter range for bus stop proximity, as indicated in comparable planning guidelines. The lack of accessible public transport options contradicts Policy DLP 20 of the Kirklees Local Plan, which emphasizes the need for developments to encourage sustainable travel options and reduce reliance on private vehicles. Furthermore, this inaccessibility undermines the site's potential classification as a grey belt site, as such areas are typically expected to have good connectivity to existing infrastructure and services. The proposal's failure to align with these sustainable transport principles renders it incompatible with the local authority's strategic objectives for sustainable development and integrated transport planning. In an appeal for housing in APP/T2215/W/24/3354290 a similar issue was considered. The planning inspector found that even though a bus stop was 450 metres away it failed para 155c of the NPPF and the appeal was dismissed. The inspector wrote "Therefore I consider that the location of the site would not provide a realistic prospect for travelling to and from local services and facilities and I find that future occupiers of the proposed dwelling would be highly reliant on the private car"	