30th March 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

Ref Planning Application 2023/93667

Further to my earlier letter which outlined objections at the time, I would like to raise additional points following the release of new documents from the applicant.

The traffic proposal for the junction with Penistone Road seems to be largely unworkable and does not take into account how this will impact upon local residents or businesses.

There are 3 local businesses in close proximity to the bridge, which under the new proposals will be traffic light controlled. All of these either operate large vehicles or have deliveries/collections by large vehicles. The plant business operates 28t tipper trucks and articulated lorries, the lighting business has deliveries from articulated lorries as does Loading Systems.

I foresee traffic chaos as soon as traffic lights are introduced into this environment, with a traffic backlog both up Storthes Hall Lane and onto Penistone Road.

There are also a number of large tractors with trailers that service the fields at the top of Storthes Hall Lane that use the bridge and are wider than ½ the road. There is a depot for road chippings below the lower access gate to Storthes Hall Park which has deliveries and collections by 40t 12-wheel lorries. As witnessed only this week, these vehicles also take over ½ the road available to cross the bridge.

The suggestion to narrow the bridge to allow for a pedestrian walkway doesn't seem to have taken into account the size of vehicles that use the bridge.

Neither has the current width of the road from the bridge to the junction with Penistone Road look to have been increased. There are several points on this stretch that are narrow and if there is going to be traffic held waiting for lights to change, vehicles coming in the opposite direction are going to be unable to pass. Another opportunity for traffic to back up in both directions.

On Saturday 22nd there was an away match for the football team based at Storthes Hall Park. The supporters all seemed to be travelling together and trying to exit at the same time. From my garden I witnessed 3 coaches and numerous cars waiting to join into Penistone Road at such a volume that it took over 30 minutes for the traffic to dissipate. At one point traffic was backed up past the bend where the Mansion gates are located.





Imagine the queue if this was held on 3-way traffic lights, coupled with vehicles from an additional 261 houses.

The proposal to introduce double yellow lines from the junction with Penistone Road all the way to just before my gates and past Jones Lighting doesn't seem to take into account the residents of either Penistone Road or Spring Grove. At times at least 9 cars have been counted parked in these areas with others parked on Penistone Road outside houses. Where will the additional cars park when spaces are limited?

They will be unable to park further along Penistone Road due to the proposed toucan crossing and zig zag lines. The reduction in car parking spaces in this area will have a negative impact on Spring Grove Fisheries as will the introduction of double yellow lines on the entrance to North Road.

I note that residents of North Road have already objected to the proposed changes outside their properties and would like to second their comments. The changes already made to the Penistone Road/North Road junction make it dangerous to exit which with additional traffic on Penistone Road will become another traffic nightmare.

I trust that these additional comments will be taken into consideration with my original objections.

Regards

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