

Address: 15 Cuckstool Road Huddersfield HD8 8RF

### About the application

Application number: 2024/91242	
What is the application for?:	Erection of residential development (up to 50 dwellings) with associated access,
Address of the site or building:	Land north east of, Shepley Road, Stocksmoor, Huddersfield, HD4 6XW
Postcode:	LS23 7BA

### User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	No
<p>I strongly object to the proposed development off Shepley Road, Stocksmoor for several reasons:</p> <p>The land is designated as "Safeguarded Land" and should be protected from development. It is productive agricultural land, and there's no justification for changing its use.</p> <p>This development would significantly increase traffic on already dangerous roads. Stone Wood Road from Stocksmoor to Shepley is single-track with blind bends, steep inclines, and no pedestrian walkways, making it unsafe. The alternative route via Penistone Rd, Birks Lane, and Dam Hill is also too busy and unable to handle additional traffic. The access point on a blind bend poses further risks.</p> <p>Recent developments have already increased housing in Stocksmoor, diluting the community. Adding 50 more houses would nearly double the village size, altering its character. The design of the proposed development is out of sync with the village's character.</p> <p>The development would negatively alter the view along Station Rd, changing the outlook and appearance of the village.</p> <p>There are many more reasons to reject this proposal than to approve it. Kirklees should focus on developing ex-industrial, brownfield sites, and disused buildings to minimize the impact on nature and residents. Small, well-considered developments in keeping with village character can be positive, but this is not one of them.</p>	