Address: 5 Shepley Road Huddersfield HD4 6XW

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	
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I am a teenager living in Stocksmoor and I would like to object to this planning application for the following reasons:

This development of 50 houses represents a 30% increase in the size of the village which has virtually no amenities apart from a pub and a railway station. This will change the village significantly and add a lot of pressure on the local road network. Most houses in Stocksmoor have two or more cars because you have to drive everywhere so this is likely to add a further 100 cars on to the local roads on most days. Whilst some people will work from home, most will travel to work and certainly to the local schools and shops as Stocksmoor does not have any shops. The worst road is the one the new residents will use to get to Shepley where the shops are. This road (Stone Wood Lane) is always busy and is single track for most of it. Adding another 100 cars to the local area will only make this road worse. Almost every time we use it we meet another car and have to reverse back. There must be a limit to how many cars this road can take.

The access to the site is on a dangerous bend which seems an extremely stupid thing to propose. When you drive up Stone Wood Lane from Shepley, you cannot see the proposed entrance to the site as it is hidden by the bend. This is most likely to lead to accidents on this bend.

I am worried about the impact on the environment. The field where they want to build the new homes is a field where lots of wildlife live as it is near the woods. There are deer in the field, badgers, owls, rabbits, bats, and building here will destroy their habitat. This will not improve the environment at all but will destroy a lovely green space. It says the developer will include a public space to help our health but that is just ridiculous as we have lots of open space already, basically the woods and fields.

The noise and light pollution from this new estate will have an impact on the local wildlife as well as local residents.

You can’t really get anywhere from Stocksmoor without using a car as the buses are only once every two hours and only go to Farnley Tyas, Almondbury and Huddersfield. The trains are ok but are often cancelled so you can’t rely on them. This is why it is wrong to say it is an area with sustainable transport. People use their cars every day.

The two first schools are full round here so children will have to be driven to schools outside of the area which is not good for the environment.

There must be better places to build these houses than Stocksmoor and so this application should be refused.