



As a local resident living in Stocksmoor village for 13 years and Shepley previous to that, I STRONGLY object to this planning application for 50 homes to be built. This is for the following reasons:

- the main and most important point is the road between Shepley and Stocksmoor is far too narrow to accommodate another 50 plus cars. This road provides the through route to the nearest shops & doctors and other amenities. I regularly travel along this route and 99% of the time I meet travel coming in the opposite direction and one of us has to reverse to a suitable passing point. The increase in traffic has already had an impact from the 17 houses built at Stocksmead Court, which has substantially increased traffic in the village and the Shepley road.

- myself and my family also use this road as a horse riding route. There are very few, if any bridleways in the area, the closest is at Farnley Tyas, so this road provides access to go further afield to Shepley and lower Cumberworth. We have to be very cautious as it is due to, an increase in traffic's flow would make this route very danger to horse riders.

- the access to the proposed development is on a blind corner bend, this would be very dangerous to drivers, pedestrians, and wildlife.

- the land was green belt, why has this changed?!?

- local schools do not have the capacity for the increased volume of children

- local doctors definitely would not be able to cope with the increased population within the area, I for one have not been able to get to see a GP in the last 3 years apart from once when urgent

- the impact on wildlife in the area would be devastating, I often see badgers and wild deer running in the woods and the lower parts of the fields which meet the woods.

- the houses on station road would severely have their views obstructed.

- the design of the houses on the proposed development are bland, box buildings, which are totally out of character for a pretty country village.

- the village of Stocksmoor itself has a long standing reputation of being a quiet village, one of beauty and a steady way of life, the impact of building 50 houses here would totally change the village character and community.