



It goes without saying that I agree with all past and current objections to this development. Every objection made has salient points covering many concerning issues from flooding, to failing and choked infrastructure, to serious air pollution matters, and wildlife destruction.

The disruption to neighbouring residents' lives over the period of any development of such grand proposals would be horrendous. The noise of day-in, day-out machinery and building teams, working and traversing over this vast site would be perpetuated for months on end. Then there is the visual upheaval to consider too. Take a look at the length of time the development on Leeds Road, just beyond the former Fountain Pub crossroads at Roberttown has taken to develop. Also the site being developed on Bradford Road at Marsh, Cleckheaton, and the site on at the top of Whitechapel Road, and also the estate being built up Whitehall Road at Blue Hills Farm! Do we seriously have to put up with those scenarios for months and months on end? And what about our established quality of life – aren't there human rights matters to consider here? No amount of visual screening of the site will help. As a resident of Links Avenue, we'll still see the upheaval of it all from our first-floor windows.

The proposals also, are for the building of too many houses to be adequately and safely served by the proposed ingress and egress points. Hunsworth Lane is far too busy a highway to cope with one of them, plus it already features a severe bend where one of the access points is proposed. And Kilroyd Drive is way too narrow to accommodate the passing of vehicles expected to serve 290+ houses per day, let alone all the initial site traffic. The existing Kilroyd development is a peaceful backwater. It should not be allowed to be seized upon and violated by a bullying developer. The residents along this Drive deserve protection – as do we all! That, in turn, brings me to another salient point: should this horrendous development unfortunately ever come to fruition, then as a resident of Links Avenue occupying a property immediately bordering Merchant Fields, then I would hope that a satisfactory and substantial boundary wall would be established to prevent any new resident of this controversial development, gaining either pedestrian or vehicular access to Links Avenue as a way of a convenient cut through to Hunsworth Lane!

Finally, the existing load of traffic on Chainbar and local routes is regularly congested and beyond belief as it is. Just one added accident on the motorway makes life hell in the vicinity. Locally too, we suffer maxed-out GP surgeries and dentists. Furthermore, we have no bus routes to Leeds serving this immediate area. - And even with all that said, I have to stress that all the new housing which I've quoted being built around us in the district - it isn't fully taken up as yet!