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**From:**  
**Sent:** 15 November 2024 15:56  
**To:** DC Admin  
**Subject:** Opposing planning for 67 dwellings off Ashbourne Way

### Re Planning Application Number 2024/92727

I am writing to oppose the planning application as listed above in response to your letter dated 15th October 2024. I am surprised with Newett Homes proposed plan showing access to developments via the farm road from Ashbourne Way. Do these people ignore the previous planning documents and objections in the hope that no-one will pick up on the problems of putting a road across this narrow single track farm road which also serves a a footpath (with no pedestrian area) with just 3.5 metre wide resulting in large vehicles regularly reversing up to the farm. There was a road survey carried out in Feb. 2018 to ascertain the volume of traffic

by a camera and monitor located in Ashbourne Way pointing to the junction of the farm lane (this equipment is still in situ). This survey if taken more recently would show at least double the amount of traffic using it, mainly because the new build bungalow (to convert the pig sty) adjacent to the original farmhouse has been completed and also serves a joinery/building business comprising of 2 large vans, an open back pickup truck and 2 four wheel drive vehicles.

Coupled with the fact that Redrow eventually obtained planning consent with the stipulation that the farm lane and Ashbourne Way could not be used for the access and parking of site vehicles for the new development . I am of the opinion that Redrow put a lot o expense into that planning application and backed out as it was a non viable project, coupled with unrecorded deep mine working and the amount of surface water that runs in large volumes at times down towards the farm to the lower field sometimes turning the farm lane into a small stream. These problems I am sure, could well be a costly addition to try and allow expenditure for, as Redrow most likely realized, I hope that Newett Homes will be held responsible for any short cut - labour cost saving measures that might lower the quality and safety of the proposed development in particular water retention and flooding. In addition to creating a road across the farm lane this proposed new road would be very steep due to the difference in levels of the lower field and the upper field and any bad snow/ice weather will create extremely dangerous conditions of vehicles out of control, which has been the case with Ashbourne Way over previous winters especially now that Kirklees Council have decided not to supply sand and salt for the clearance of roads. If this planning application is passed then I do wonder that if in the future a serious accident does occur then perhaps the planning committee will take full responsibility of such a ridiculous decision and hold their hands up in shame. In conclusion as other people have tried to bring to your attention if this proposal coupled with 200 new homes by Strata Homes off Westgate is completed resulting in at least 500 adults plus children plus numerous cars how on earth can they be added to a failing infra structure that we already have.

Yours Faithfully

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