About the application

Application number: 2025/91370	
What is the application for?:	Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 50 dwellings with associated acc
Address of the site or building:	Land at, Gynn Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6LF
Postcode:	

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The constraints identified for a development on site HS 167 have not been addressed by this application.
Loss of trees:
Site access is achieved by the removal of 19 protected trees which is unacceptable. Residents value the woodland around this site, they strived to get the protected status and enjoy the wild life living there, for example, rooks and woodpeckers.

Unacceptable impact of extra traffic from the estate:
The application refers to 50 houses giving rise to 100 cars whereas the Transport Report shows an increased amount of 4+ bed houses which have been allocated 3 cars. This means a minimum of 124 extra vehicles on our lane when the lower half of Gynn Lane resembles a car park which is chaotic at school drop off and turning out times. The lane is also used legally and illegally by non-residents to park their cars for long periods. The jury is out as to whether the revised junction onto the A616 is actually an improvement.
Construction traffic would present a danger to both drivers and pedestrians as there is a very narrow blind bend by numbers 30 and 32 . There would be two years of danger and misery for local residents during construction.
The Transport plan shows a proposed pedestrian crossing by the access point to the estate. This is dangerous on such a narrow lane which curves. There is the added hazard of vehicles parked legitimately on this stretch of the lane. Pedestrians might not be seen in time.

Surface water adding to flood risk:
Plans show that smaller houses will not have garaging and there will be hard standing around the houses and a lack of front gardens. Discharging all this surface water into Ludhill Dike could increase the flooding down stream. Also it is unclear what the impact of this estate would be on the houses immediately below it given the discovery of water in an adit on site and subsequent flooding of their gardens.
Furthermore, River Holme Connections are consulting with landowners on a proposed project to mitigate the effects of climate change on the river. However, the addition of this estate would work against this.

Southwood Avenue Estate
I appreciate that the proposal for another new estate off Southwood Avenue cannot be considered alongside this application, but I would urge you not to ignore this.

HS 167 is not a sustainable location for an estate and should never have been put into the Kirklees Development Plan.