Address: 126 Hall Ing Lane Holmfirth HD9 6QX

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 application does, hypothetically have merit; proximity to public transport, low visual impact from the bottom of the valley and Gynn Lane/Hall ing Lane, proximity to Honley high School.
However, in practical terms, there are serious and insurmountable issues.
Traffic issues Gynn Lane/Hall Ing Lane.
Between the proposed access road onto the development and the A616 junction is the narrow blind bend. Negotiating this bend is made difficult by the vehicles parked either side of the road immediately before the bend as you approach uphill from the bottom of Gynn Lane. (in contravension of the Highway Code prescribed distance for parking in proximity to a bend).
Line of sight in and out of the proposed access is limited and therefore works would have to be carefully planned and carried out to make the junction with Gynn Lane and the development access road safe and viable. This can only achieved by using some of the triangle of woodland, which is the site of the rookery.
Although wider, the bend and the road under the railway bridge is also restricted in sight and width.
From the railway tunnel upwards onto Hall Ing Lane, the road becomes increasingly narrow, steep and with bends; notably beyond the hamlet of Hall Ing. Hall Road, Brockholes Lane and Brockholes Road which lead off Hall Ing Lane are all narrow, steep and with restricted visibility. These roads are unsuitable for the volume of traffic which already use them, compounded by the speed of many of the vehicles and the standard of driving.
Therefore increased traffic associated with a development of 50 houses, would have severe implications for road users and residents along these roads.

Building on greenfield sites.
In spite of the Governments push to increase housing stock, there is no justification for building on greenfield sites in such rural locations while ever so many brownfield sites remain unused. Especially when the sites have the inherent problems that this proposed site has.
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Affordable Housing
Although giving a nod to the percentage of affordable housing, i would question whether this development is actually addressing the need for affordable housing given the nature of the planned homes.

Drainage and Flood Mitigation
The proposals pay lip service to the above issues. However what guarantees will the developers give regarding the clearing and ongoing maintenance of the barrier across Ludhill Dykes once the houses are built and sold. The ongoing and historic problems with the volume of water causing flooding at the bottom, and potentially the lower lying properties, of Gynn Lane will not be helped by additional run off from hard surfacing, particularly the new access road, associated with the new development. Even water captured in a reservoir will need to be drained off. Again who will be responsible for this?

In conclusion, that this site is viable for a development of 50 houses is of great concern due to the location giving rise to the serious issues outlined in this objection.