About the application

Application number: 2025/91370	
What is the application for?:	REVISED AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED: Demolition of existing dwelling and
Address of the site or building:	Land at, Gynn Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6LF
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes

I strongly object to the above development and confirm I have previously submitted an objection. I cannot believe I am having to trawl through a mountain of information provided by corporate bodies on behalf of Vivly Homes within a ludicrous timescale. I am a member of the local community and have a good grasp of local matters. I have seen first-hand some of the problems that should clearly conclude the proposed development is a non-starter!

The developer has not addressed some of the salient points raised by contributors when the application was first posted. I have been a resident on Gynn Lane for almost 38 years and have witnessed serious flooding both where I live and at the bottom of Gynn Lane, which will only be exacerbated by the proposed development. The Coal Authority have reiterated that their comments of 8 July 2025 remain valid, and this is crucial, particularly when considering the serious flood implications that have been experienced by nearby neighbours when contractors acting for the developer started drilling holes on site and flooding the neighbours with ochrous water from old mine workings. The mining authority have said previously in their opinion the land is not suitable for such a development.

Access to the proposed site is ridiculous, particularly for 50 properties. These days a development of 50 houses would probably result in at least 100 additional vehicles. This is a rural country LANE, and was never built for the current volume of traffic. It is very narrow, with blind bends before and after the planned development and road users drive far too fast. The work undertaken by Kirklees at the bottom of Gynn Lane, apparently for safety reasons, has resulted in one-way traffic, when vehicles park at both sides of the road. This can be quite precarious for cars, but HGV's have very narrow entry and exit channels to negotiate. I suspect no thought has been given to this by the developers! Likewise, Gynn Lane and Station Road are chaotic to say the least at school pick-up time, with vehicles parking at both sides of the road, creating one-way traffic, with no consideration for local residents.

Another observation was the number of additional places at Honley High School. I think this was calculated as 5. In the 90's our two children, together with three children from two neighbours' houses all attended the High School, a total of 5 from 3 houses, hence my surprise, which suggests the figure quoted for the 50 houses is not correct!

On drawings by VIA Solutions (1127062) there is a bin storage area to the East of the site access road. If refuse collections are to be taken from this storage area, this could cause traffic problems. More concerning is that if refuse collections are made from this area, homeowners will have to take bins from their properties to the storage area and collect them after they have been emptied, up / down a steep gradient. It appears that Kirklees Waste Management have confirmed that they would go into a private estate if it is built to an acceptable standard! The inevitable steep gradient is likely to cause problems to other vehicles, particularly large vehicles, which highlights another serious concern. In winter months, Gynn Lane / Hall Ing Lane is gritted by Kirklees, but has anyone considered what will happen if the unadopted road to this site is not treated. I have seen vehicles on much gentler inclines nearby struggle during periods of snow and ice and the owners often park their vehicles on the flat or under the Penistone Line railway bridge.