Address: The Little House, 110 Almondbury Bank Huddersfield HD5 8EZ

**About the application**

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| Application number: 2025/91616 | |
| What is the application for?: | Erection of concrete plant |
| Address of the site or building: | Upper Bankfield Mills, Almondbury Bank, Almondbury, Huddersfield, HD5 8HF |
| Postcode: | HD5 8HF |

**User comments**

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| Type of comment: An objection | |
| Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously? | No |

As a resident living 40 meters from the Alphacrete site Iobject to the proposal to erect a concrete plant.
The dust, noise, and pollution is already significant.

HIGHWAY SAFETY RISK. The HGVs using the inadequate access road from Almondbury Bank are already posing a danger to pedestrians and vehicles using this narrow and SUBSIDING lane. The access roads are substandard in width. No swept-path, gradient or cumulative traffic assessment has been supplied.

RESIDENTIAL AMENITY. Significant noise from the planetary mixer, loaders, heavy vehicles, reversing alarms and disturbance from early and late operating hours. Alphacrete already use the site outside of acceptable hours.

AIR QUALITY AND DUST. Cement dust, aggregate handling and increased HGV traffic will significantly harm local air quality. Even small amounts of airborne cement dust can pose serious health risks, especially to children and the elderly.

WATER POLLUTION RISK. Concrete wash is highly alkaline. The sloping ground is an obvious pathway to surface drains and the underground stream which flows under the site, and feeds into the Colne river.
Considering the nature of concrete batching ( aggregates in, cement deliveries, wet loads out, and return washouts, the application should be supported by a full TRANSPORT ASSESSMENT, including traffic generation forecasts, swept-path drawings for the largest vehicle design, junction capacity analysis, gradient considerations and a routing strategy that avoids unsuitable residential streets. National policy states that development should be refused on transport grounds if there would be unacceptable impact on highway safety or the cumulative impacts on the road network would be severe.

Concrete batching involves: aggregate deliveries and tipping, cement silo charging, conveyor operations, loading of mixer trucks, reversing alarms and maintenance of plant. In quiet residential streets these are not incidental background noises. Without acoustic modelling referenced to existing background levels { LA 90 } and predicted operational noise { LAeq, LAFmax at facades } the applicant cannot show that amenity will be protected.