

About the application

Application number: 2025/91837	
What is the application for?:	Change of use of dwelling to mixed-use to include residential (use class C3) and
Address of the site or building:	104, Gawthorpe Lane, Lepton, Huddersfield, HD5 0NZ
Postcode:	HD5 0NZ

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes
<p>I am writing to object to planning application 2025/91837.</p> <p>Gawthorpe is a small residential hamlet, with approximately nine homes clustered near Mr Paxman's property. The semi-rural setting attracts walkers, horse riders, cyclists and others, making it unsuitable for commercial operations.</p> <p>As a resident living near Mr Paxman's property, there is weekday early morning disruption from the arrival of employees in vans and subsequent loading of flatbed trucks and trailers. Forklift trucks block Gawthorpe Lane while transferring goods stored on the two driveways or in the garage to vehicles parked across the road. There are frequent goods deliveries arriving through the week. Industrial vehicles, small and medium sized plant machinery operating, and landscaping materials frequently occupy the two driveways. The neat and tidy images submitted with the Planning Statement do not reflect actual operations.</p> <p>I strongly recommend you review Kirklees Council's "appropriate use of land" case file (COMP/20/0015, 2019) for evidence of the business's impact, including privacy and noise disturbances at all hours, inappropriate use of a private track, and impact on multiple neighbours, including children. The case also documents Mr Paxman's responses to concerns when addressed. As a work-from-home resident, the disruption was intolerable. Mr Paxman repeatedly claimed the operation was temporary while seeking commercial premises, which was clearly untrue, and eventually operations were merely moved to his home at 104.</p> <p>Gawthorpe's quiet residential character is incompatible with a commercial business, and it is reasonable to request that Mr Paxman fully relocate his operations to suitable commercial premises, as was the case prior to 2019.</p>	