About the application

Application number: 2025/92628	
What is the application for?:	Erection of dwelling and associated works (within a Conservation Area)
Address of the site or building:	adj, 42, Long Croft Street, Golcar, Huddersfield, HD7 4EA
Postcode:	HD7 4EA

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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I wish to give my concerns on the Erection of dwelling and associated works (within a Conservation Area) at 42 longcroft street golcar. Application Reference # 2025/62/92628/W

My objection is based solely on material planning considerations, specifically concerning the detrimental impact on Highway Safety, Residential Amenity, and the principle of Overdevelopment and conservation area with bat activity.

1. Impact on Highway Safety and Traffic Generation
The proposed development will exacerbate existing, significant highway safety concerns on longcroft street.

Existing Congestion and Access Issues: Our road is already subject to severe on-street parking congestion, with vehicles often parked on both sides of the narrow carriageway. This significantly restricts the effective width of the road, leading to existing difficulties for residents and emergency vehicles. It is extremely difficult sometimes to maneuver vehicles in to the drives.

Increased Traffic Movements: The proposed development will inevitably lead to an increase in vehicular movements (deliveries, waste collection, and resident/visitor traffic). This increased activity, especially the introduction of construction traffic, will place further strain on the already compromised road network, increasing the risk of accidents and near-misses.

Construction Phase Disruption: The construction phase will necessitate the movement and temporary parking of large vehicles (lorries, material deliveries, skip placement, etc.). Given the existing on-street parking saturation, there is insufficient space to safely accommodate these vehicles without causing unacceptable obstruction to the flow of traffic, blocking access for other residents, and posing a serious danger to pedestrians and road users. This temporary but significant impact on highway safety is a material consideration.
2. Impact on Residential Amenity (Noise and Disruption)

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The amenity of existing residents will be significantly harmed, particularly during the lengthy construction phase.
Noise and Vibration: Construction work, especially one involving groundworks and heavy machinery, will generate considerable noise and vibration for an extended period. Given the density of existing houses, this unavoidable noise pollution will cause demonstrable harm to the residential amenity and peaceful enjoyment of our homes.
Air Quality and Dust: The movement of construction vehicles and site works will generate dust and impact local air quality, which is particularly relevant in a built-up residential area.
3. Overdevelopment
The scale and nature of the proposal constitutes an overdevelopment of the site, which fails to respect the local context.
The proposed mass and footprint appear disproportionate to the size of the plot and the surrounding pattern of development, leading to an overly dominant and visually intrusive structure. That is not in keeping with the valley image.

This street also accommodates bat activity in this particular area of the street which I feel may disrupt and is a potential impact on a protected species. Which is a material planning consideration.

Conclusion
For the reasons outlined above, specifically the unacceptable risk to highway safety due to increased traffic and construction disruption on an already congested road, and the material harm to residential amenity from noise and disruption, please consider all the above in this application.