

Address: 5, Stocks Way, Huddersfield, HD8 8DL

### About the application

Application number: 2025/92776	
What is the application for?:	Outline application, with all matters reserved, for residential development with
Address of the site or building:	land at, Eastfield, Shepley, Huddersfield, HD8 8HB
Postcode:	DH7 8XL

### User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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It has been very interesting to read both the objections and the supporting comments for this development. Whilst there is a need for affordable housing in what is a white middle class village, plonking another 110 houses in a small village with few amenities isn't the answer - unless said amenities are updated and maintained - the doctors is always full and appointments are scarce, the dentist is the same, the roads are poorly maintained with subsidence on the main road either side of the Knowle.

This is not my main objection, this is green belt and so general purpose housing requires special circumstances to overcome the fact that it is "inappropriate development".

The existing public transport links in Shepley are poor at best, with 1 bus and 1 train per hour. Adding 110 new houses will result in 200+ additional vehicles using an inadequate road network, already taken up by wagons and speeding cars, increasing the danger on the main roads through Shepley.

We already have a dangerous black spot area near Cross Lane / Sovereign, this proposal can only make that problem worse with additional traffic movements at peak times.

Shepley Spring has provided a valuable local business in the Shepley area. Without the high quality water that is available to Shepley Spring from the local aquifers/springs, this business will rapidly become something of the past. Go into any small shop across the country and you will see Ice Valley water sold, something that I for one am immensely proud of.

The water supply must be protected, and this proposal fails to do that in any way. It takes a very simplistic approach, no proper survey, no remedy if damage is done, simply "we think it will be ok"

The answer isn't more houses, it is fewer empty properties that could be used for housing. If you want to build more, do it on land that isn't green belt and don't be fooled by the developers saying they are going to add nice green spaces, we have them, please don't destroy them with houses.