

Address: 20, EASTFIELD, SHEPLEY, HUDDERSFIELD, HD8 8HB

### Search application details

Application number: 2025/60/92776/E	
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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I object strongly to the planning application for these houses being built on Green Belt land, which should be kept for agriculture. The government has called for this country to be more self sufficient in growing food due to uncertainty and threats of war from Russia, as the war in Ukraine has shown us. Shepley has already got a large number of new houses being built, but the infrastructure is sadly lacking to support another development.

The access to the site is totally unsuitable and unsafe, and making The Knowle and Lea Drive one way is a recipe for disaster. Exiting from Lea Drive, with it's 1in7 gradient into an extremely busy main road in winter is an impossibility, as I know from experience. Having my car slide down straight into the main road in the early 1980's was the most frightening experience of my life, as my children were in the back as well. A collision was avoided by a matter of inches, and if I hadn't been able to stop, my car would have gone through a wall and dropped into Shepley Beck. We wouldn't have survived. Anyone who has had a similar experience would never do it again. This would make us prisoners in our own homes. Since then the main road is very much busier with HGV's and is the route to Sheffield, so the risks would be even greater. Shepley First School would not be able to cope with more children, as I know of at least one family who have to drive their children to Kirkburton school, and they moved into the village in the last year.

Trying to get an appointment at Shepley surgery is stressful enough now, and there are more existing houses being built already which will exacerbate the problem. Likewise the dental surgery.

We only have one food shop, and this is not a supermarket, it is a village store. Trains are unreliable on the Sheffield / Huddersfield line, so commuters can't rely on being able to catch connections to Leeds, for example. There is no parking at the station, and the access to the platforms stop a lot of people from using the trains. Broadband is slow in Shepley, and will get even slower as more people move into the village.

I feel very sad that Shepley will be changed out of all recognition if this development goes ahead, and life will be all the poorer for it. Once agricultural land is built on it is lost forever, to the detriment of future generations.

Please do not let this happen.