

## 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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The land in question has always been greenbelt and over the years a variety of crops have been grown there. The most recent being used for thatching. The sight of the stooks has always enhanced the image of the village

Loss of greenbelt would destroy the image, culture and well being of the village, and potentially make other greenbelt areas vulnerable.

The environmental impact of such a development could have consequences on the biodiversity of the area which would be irrevocably altered if not destroyed.

The safety and wellbeing of children must be taken into account, as a consequence of allowing construction traffic to access land through the centre of a residential estate.

This is of paramount importance. At the moment children play, ride their bikes and walk to school using these roads.

The area does not provide for any safe and additional capacity for traffic, whether, construction, commercial or residential. The one way proposal would lead to an unacceptable volume of traffic through the estate, at best leading to gridlock, at worst to a nasty accident or fatality. To propose one way down a 1:7 gradient which becomes icy and dangerous in winter is ludicrous and even insane. It would seem that other construction sites are always accessed off main roads.

To allow a construction site in this area would lead to years of dust and noise pollution especially affecting the most vulnerable, the very young and the old, who live close to the area.

Local services and amenities would be put under a lot of stress. The school, health clinic, and dentist are already at capacity. There is a lack of parking within the centre of the village which can already become congested with delivery vans, articulated lorries, buses and cars. To claim the village has a supermarket is misleading at best.

One major concern is the horrendous impact construction would have on a local employer, Shepley Spring, one of Kirklees top 100 businesses. This company holds a Source Protection Zone Grade one for its aquifer under the land in question. It is more than possible that any construction allowed would contaminate the water, probably for ever.

I believe this application by Banks, a Durham company, should be refused permanently. It will significantly reduce the well being of the population of the village, and the environment in which it lies.