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I am objecting to the Banks Group planning application for a housing development at the end of Eastfield in Shepley. This is Greenbelt farmland and should not be destroyed for more housing which we do not need in Shepley. We already have three other housing developments under construction.

I am an elderly gentleman who uses a mobility scooter and the access to Lea Drive which is the proposed entrance to the proposed building development is 1 in 7 and narrow as well as steep. It would lead to accidents both for other road users and pedestrians. Local roads would not be able to cope with all the extra cars such a development would bring. I would not feel safe venturing out with so much more traffic on the current estate. This would restrict my mobility and socialisation and lead to me spending more time alone in the house, which would not be good for my mental health or wellbeing.

The younger generation also play on the estate and ride their bikes, and this would no longer be possible with hundreds more cars using Lea Drive for access. It would be an accident waiting to happen and not practical and would reduce the opportunity for children to play outside together.

Public transport links are poor in Shepley. On the singletrack railway trains are often delayed, almost 50% of the time. There is no bus service on a Sunday and no buses to Shepley from Huddersfield after 6.00pm. The sewer system is Victorian and does not have any further capacity.

Construction work on this Greenbelt land could put at risk 130 local jobs at Shepley Spring which supplies national supermarkets with bottled water. Construction work could pollute the water making it unusable.

There is no supermarket in Shepley therefore causing more car journeys being necessary on already overcrowded trunk roads.

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