

Address: 24 Lea drive Shepley

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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I am writing to object to the proposed housing development at the end of our road.

My main concern is the impact this development would have on highway safety. Our road is currently a quiet cul-de-sac, and it is used mainly by residents and their children. Turning it into an access point for a large new estate would completely change how the road functions. The additional traffic, including during the construction stage, creates a far greater risk for children walking, playing, or travelling to school. This is a small residential street, not a through-road, and directing estate traffic through it would fundamentally change the safety of the area.

I'm also extremely worried about the effect the development would have on the natural environment at the edge of the village. The land includes established woodland, open grassland, and mature trees that form a continuous green space supporting a range of wildlife. Building over this area would result in the permanent loss of that habitat, and the landscape would be noticeably altered. These green spaces aren't just pleasant to look at—they are part of the character of the village, and once they are removed, the rural feel of this area is lost.

The design and layout of the proposed estate appear out of keeping with the existing pattern of development. Introducing a modern, high-density cluster of homes on this site would change the character of our end of the village, replacing natural views with built form. This will inevitably affect the outlook from existing properties and the general appearance of the area.

There is also the issue of disturbance. Increased vehicle movements, both during construction and once the estate is occupied, would bring more noise and activity to a road that is currently very peaceful. For families living here, this would noticeably change daily living conditions.

Finally, the village has already seen the addition of other housing developments in recent years. These have been noted in previous planning applications, and further expansion on this scale seems inconsistent with the aim of protecting landscape character and supporting sustainable growth, as set out in local and national planning policies.

For these reasons; impact on highway safety, loss of natural habitat, harm to the landscape and village character, increased noise and disturbance, and the negative effect on living conditions—I ask that the application be refused.