

Address: 10, YEW TREE ROAD, SHEPLEY, HUDDERSFIELD, HD8 8DT

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

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OBJECTION TO application 2025/60/92776/E

Shepley is saturated with housing developments. From Tailors Green at the northern boundary to Cliffe House area to the South and up Marsh Lane to the West, there are no new suitable sites to permit access and egress to the main arterial roads.

The proposed entry and exit for the new development is via Lea Drive. The junction with Abbey Road has very poor sight line to the South - it is almost always obstructed by vehicles parked on Abbey Road from the Lea Drive junction to the pedestrian crossing. This a major problem at school times. The alternative directing traffic to Knowle Park avenue and to Knowle Park is equally unsuitable, given the HGV traffic from Shepley Spring. Support services are currently overloaded. By this we mean particularly the Surgery (GP numbers) and Dentist. Another 250+ potential patients will exacerbate the "on the day appointment fiasco".

Shepley school is virtually full. If we estimate that one in every 5 households has an infant aged 5-10, then an extra 20-30 extra places will be required. How will these be furnished? Suggesting that they are located at Shelley Infants or Birdsedge are lunatic. How will they get there and back? Most likely it would be yet more car journeys causing more congestion.

The blurb from Banks talks about bio diversity "a 10% increase in bio diversity" How on earth can covering a green field with houses increase bio diversity?

Heat pumps - quite honestly they are not fit for purpose. Companies that promote heat pumps do not publish the fundamental truth. It is abundantly clear that a heat pump works on the differential between the circulating fluid (cold side) and the outside temperature. Thus the most heat gained for use is when the outside temperature is high. Conversely, when the outside temperature is low and you need the highest heat output for the house, the system produces the least heat output. With electricity prices approximately 3x higher per kWh than gas they are a non starter. All the houses (subject to correct orientation) should be constructed with Solar Panels and car charging points.

Utility supplies. I have records that show that Shepley has a higher than normal incidence of power cuts. Part of the problem is overhead supplies over the moors to the South and West. With the extra load from Banks development and the second phase at Tenterhill Gardens, I suspect that the local power network would become overloaded. Water and sewerage could also be an issue.

A fast buck - we believe that the farmer is trying to cash in the 1.5 million homes because he can make more money from the development than from farming. A sorry state of affairs.

Affordable houses - YES Shepley does need smaller affordable houses - especially for those who were born in Shepley and wish to remain here. The apparent altruistic statement from Banks is in reality only a "sop" to sweet talk the council into granting the application.