

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	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes
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<p>I totally disagree with the proposal to build houses on Greenbelt land off Eastfield in Shepley, destroying agricultural land and a valuable open space. Shepley does not need any more housing development, with three other sites already under construction.</p> <p>The infrastructure cannot support a further 200 or more vehicles and access to the area is via narrow roads with a steep incline of 1 in 7 off Lea Drive. This would be an accident waiting to happen. Children would no longer be able to play outside their houses or to learn to cycle and would be deprived of socialising and playing with friends.</p> <p>Destroying villages by creating conurbations is causing a lack of identity, lack of community spirit and an increase in loneliness and mental health issues consequently leading to more pressure on council and health services.</p> <p>Yorkshire Water has confirmed that the sewage system could not service any further houses in this area.</p> <p>Shepley Spring, the local water bottling company, and a local employer of 130 people, could be impacted by construction, with the possibility of pollution of their aquifers, resulting in damage to the business and unemployment for local people.</p> <p>When the Kirklees Local Plan has yet to be completed, no decisions about house building should be considered until the plan is produced.</p>	

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The village centre is already congested with nowhere to park. The Co-op is a small convenience store, not a supermarket and therefore would lead to more people travelling further afield causing further congestion on the roads.

Shepley First School is projected to be full by 2028 therefore children would need to be taken elsewhere by car to schools further afield.

Congestion on roads is already a problem, causing health and safety issues for both drivers and pedestrians. Public transport is very poor and unreliable. The railway is single track and has no accessible access on Platform 1.

There is no bus service in the evening, only one per hour during the day and no service on a Sunday.

This proposed development would have a detrimental effect upon Shepley and change the whole character and makeup of the village. I am very much against it and hope that sense will prevail and planning permission will be refused.