
Sent: 22 December 2025 12:16
To: Louise Bearcroft <Louise.Bearcroft@kirklees.gov.uk>
Subject: 2025/60/92776/E - letter of objection

Dear Louise,

I have lodged an objection online but please accept this as a further objection based on new information.

For the avoidance of doubt I'd like to set out my objection relates to;

1. The one way road system which will create a dangerous situation and create unnecessary congestion on Stonecroft gardens, particularly around school drop off and pick up, and rush hour.
2. The gradient of the forced route down Lea Drive to the A629 which is dangerous during colder conditions.
3. The impact on Shepley Spring, and the loss of jobs.
4. Waste water infrastructure unable to cope with this development (as per YW comments).
5. The pressure on local services which are already stretched.
6. There are 3 housing developments in Shepley that are all unfinished with homes that have not been sold. The demand or need for additional houses of the type proposed is not there.

7. Loss of agriculture.
8. This site being green belt and has only be used for agriculture.

The final point is the one I am expanding on. Banks have acknowledged they do not meet the criteria for grey belt. It would be pure fabrication on their part if they claimed to be anywhere near satisfying it, and their report really pushes the edges of that. The site has only be used for agriculture and their development will not enhance the surroundings and does not present any exceptional circumstances. I would like to draw your attention to the recent rejection of a site on Fenay Lane that was sought to be classed as brownfield (from greenbelt) but rejected. This former plant nursery site has been used for retail and it is accepted it was used as retail, has buildings on it used for retail, and concrete paths and poly tunnels covering the site. If you are to start allocating sites such as the site in application 2025/60/92776/E then I think serious questions need to be asked of the decision to reject the application on Fenay Lane.

Pictures below of the 2 sites.

When I originally wrote to you there were circa 200 objections which is circa 10% of the population of Shepley (all ages). There now appears to be over 450 objections (over 20% of the entire village population).

I strongly urge you to reject the application.

Kind regards,

20 Stonecroft Gardens, Shepley.

Land at Easfield



Land at Fenay Lane

