

Address: Hillcrest Main Street, Heiton Kelso

### About the application

Application number: 2025/92897	
What is the application for?:	Erection of two storey rear and side extensions, single storey front extension,
Address of the site or building:	49, Bank End Lane, Almondbury, Huddersfield, HD5 8ES
Postcode:	HD5 8ES

### User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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Comment type - Objection	
<p>I appreciate why an application would be submitted to extend a two bedroom house for a growing family and to suit modern day living. But to buy a two bedroom house and attempt to significantly redesign, alter and amend the original design to incorporate a five bedroom property is incredibly excessive. Its clear that work has already started on what can only be described as the surprise original application.</p> <p>I refer to the Design Access Statement submitted which states: An application was submitted earlier this year for a single-storey rear extension with a 8.0m projection and spanning the full width of the rear of the property and was approved via larger home extension prior approval process (2025/92310). And again: Regarding scale, given the previously larger homes extension (2025/92310) was approved, it is considered this has established such a scale of extension at the house as being acceptable.</p> <p>It is my understanding that this was never discussed with neighbours and in particular It is also my understanding that with this type of application best practice, if not indeed a requirement is to inform all neighbours, especially next door neighbours. There is little wonder this was approved. To find that this received no objections is not a surprise, if immediate and close neighbours were not informed.</p> <p>With regards to this present application it is without doubt far too large for the plot. This side wall is too close leaving, in the very words stated on the plan, 'note narrow access'</p> <p>The Access Statement further states: the external topography and positioning of the buildings in relation to each other. Furthermore, the host property and its associated curtilage is of a scale which would support the proposed extension without amounting to over-development or appearing incongruous. In summary, the scale of the proposal is considered in keeping with the</p>	

incongruous. In summary, the scale of the proposal is considered in keeping with the existing building and the local character and is therefore considered acceptable from a visual amenity perspective

I simply do not agree.

- The rear extension whilst as a single story would have been acceptable, to now add a balcony, which has the potential to invade the privacy of neighbours is unacceptable.
- The wall of the side extension on the driveway will block out light to both available light sources to the dining room of number 47.
- Reducing the available parking space by adding the side extension will also cut down on the available car parking space. One only has to walk past this house to see that the occupants/ visitors regularly park on the pavement, so if they find that the present parking on the driveway is insufficient how are they going to address that when there is little or no driveway. This is not a recent development. We have often visited long before any immediate work has been carried out to see a vehicle parked on the public footpath. The proposed new building down the drive will mean less parking, and the provision of the parking at the front of the property is inadequate. When the porch is built, there will be even less availability for parking and a five bed roomed house needs more space for vehicles than the two neatly drawn cars seen on the plans. Being situated just above the significantly steep drop down on the hill, to park on the pavement anywhere is both inconsiderate, unacceptable and dangerous but particularly so in this location. Having grown up \_\_\_\_\_, I know how dangerous this road can be, particularly in adverse weather conditions.
- Whilst permission has been given to other local properties to extend, none has been granted anything on the scale of the proposal. This proposed plan is just far too big.

It is my sincere hope that a reduced sized plan, closer to the original plans is given the go ahead, and building controls are enforced to reduce the impact of the work, for the safety, consideration and well-being of neighbours and footpath users.