About the application

Application number: 2025/93355	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 75 residential dwellings with associated landscaping, open space, hi
Address of the site or building:	Land off, Woodward Court, Mirfield, WF14 0PY
Postcode:	LS15 8ZB

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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I am writing to express my strong objections to this application.

Hepworth Lane is unsafe with the current volume of traffic, with motorists driving in the wrong direction, narrow misses, and the lack of a footpath in parts. It is unsafe to add further traffic to this area; particularly 100+ new vehicles from the 75 houses. The area simply cannot take an increased volume of traffic, and the children of Wellhouse Preschool and Crossley Fields School nearby should be able to walk to and from school safely.

The primary nominated bus stop of the development is at the bottom of Balderstone Hall Lane, hence residents of this development would take the south-east walk path down the lane to the bus stop. The lane is already suffering from pot holes and an increase in footfall would further degrade it. The council does not assist with upkeep of the Lane, hence it puts further financial obligation on its private owners. Furthermore, the lane is narrow and used daily by the occupants of the 5 properties it serves. Further footfall on the Lane would increase the risk of a pedestrian collision.

The loss of green space and wildlife ecosystems further diminishes Mirfield's greenspace to the detriment of all residents. Green space is vital for mental wellbeing, and there simply isn't enough of it in the area of the development.

The new buildings are not in keeping with the setting of a Grade II listed property, infringing on the listing and heritage of the area.

The development would create excessive noise, dust, pollution and hardship for local residents for years. The dust and pollution will be experienced by not only local residents, but the 2-11 years olds who go to Crossley Fields School and Wellhouse Preschool. The impact on their health now and in the future is not to be overlooked. Also worthy of consideration is the excessive noise impacting those working from home in local properties, and the ability for children to concentrate at school.

This proposed development has already failed on numerous occasions. There have been no impactful changes since the last planning consideration for there to be any reason it should go ahead this time round.