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 objecting to the above planning permission on the grounds of highway safety and traffic. The proposed exits for this new development of Wellhouse Lane via Woodward Court and Hepworth Lane are beyond dangerous.
The exit from Hepworth Lane onto Wellhouse lane is a single track, one direction, right hand turn only exit. This has poor views in either direction. By a house and its garden walls blocking the view of any traffic coming from the left and parked cars and vans to the right, which means you have to significantly pull out into the road before getting a good view to exit. Like wise Wellhouse Lane onto Flash Lane and Hepworth Lane onto Flash Lane/ Shillbank Lane, both narrow down to a single track before opening up to allow just one car in the opposite direction. This is all significantly impacted by school traffic for Crossley Fields J & I School with the roads blocked by double parking and becoming grid locked.
If planning permission was given for these 75 houses, that means there will be at least another 75 cars on those roads but as we know most households have more than one car, so that number could be doubled, meaning more congestion. It is dangerous enough with the amount of cars at school times for the parents and children who walk to school, I know as I pick my grandson up from school and also take my granddaughter for walks in her pram round there and navigating Hepworth Lane is a nightmare. There is only one pavement and that isn't for the length of Hepworth Lane, there is no pavement on either single end of Hepworth Lane, so this means squashing yourself up against a wall on the Flash Lane end or waiting for traffic to exit on the Wellhouse Lane end. With the traffic from the planned new housing estate, this will not just be a school time traffic problem, it will be an all day traffic problem.
My other serious concern is if this development goes ahead, how on earth are they going to get the machinery needed up and down these roads. Also the amount of large vehicles needed for transporting materials, navigating parked cars and school children is frightening. I believe if this planning application gets approved it will end in tragedy.