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 have very serious concerns about the problems this development will cause in the local area. In 2017 you refused to allow a development of 61 houses to be built by Bellway Homes but now there is planning application for 75 houses. You refused the last case because of the problems it would cause due to the inadequate road network in this area and the road safety risks this would create. It is clear that is 61 houses was going to be an issue, then 75 will cause an even greater problem. How can this possibly be acceptable. It is quite clear that Wellhouse Lane and Hepworth Lane are far too narrow to deal with this extra traffic. There are already problems with the existing levels of traffic so building another 75 house with all the additional cars this will bring makes not sense. Not only will there be many more cars but an estate of this size will also mean extra traffic from deliveries, bin lorries etc.

The site for these houses is next door to 2 schools. How can you justify putting the school children at risk from the extra traffic that will be created if this goes ahead. There is also a risk to them from the vehicles that will have to bring all the building materials to the site – dozens of huge lorries and vans etc. I doubt if some of the lorries would even be able to reach the site because of the narrow roads.

There are public footpaths on this land and these will be adversely affected if the development is allowed. It will also take away valuable green space from our community – long with all the impact this has on wildlife etc. Balderstone hall is next to the building site and this is listed building. A big estate of new houses will have a negative effect on the Hall.

It seems unrealistic to put this many houses on land that has such a poor road network around it. The road safety dangers it will cause are enormous. For all of the above reasons the development should not be allowed and I trust the Council will not prioritise the builder’s profits over road safety and protecting the existing community.