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Your Ref: Planning Application: 2025/93355
Erection of 75 dwellings by Bellway Homes, Yorkshire, Land off Woodward Court/ Hepworth Lane, Mirfield

I am not a resident of Mirfield and but wish to object to the above planning application. I can also confirm that I fully support the Save Mirfield challenge to the above Planning Application.

I would also wish to register my specific concerns and objections to the said Planning Application which are summarised as follows: -

1.0 Mirfield itself cannot cope with more development, the doctors, dentist practices, and schools are at capacity and the roads in and out of Mirfield are gridlocked every day at rush hour.

Mirfield has always been a semi rural location with enviable green space, As relatives of residents we feel the council is happy to let the area become overrun with development, and not protect our green spaces.

2.0 The appearance of the proposed housing is in no way in keeping with the surrounding houses, the build materials are also not sympathetic with other properties in the vicinity.

3.0 We object environmentally as an abundance of wildlife including bats and barn owls reside there, building adjacent to the existing hawthorn hedges will result in many smaller species habitats being destroyed.

4.0 The application will create additional road safety issues around Crossley Fields school already a danger as so many cars are present at school start and finish times. I have witnessed cars mounting the kerbs where children are walking to pass other vehicles, and seen the police called to address congestion and calm irate drivers.

5.0 I have concerns regarding the increased demand on the education system as the schools in Mirfield in the immediate vicinity are at capacity. When my own grandson joined the upper school there MFG three years ago, apparently 180no, children had been refused a place, this demand has only increased in the following years. This will result in new residents having to travel further afield to school increasing peak hour traffic.

We have considered moving to Mirfield in the future and one of the main attractions to this area are the wonderful green fields and the semi rural feel to the area, but it feels judging by the approval of other unsuitable local developments in the area, that the council are happy to let the area become over run with development and not protect Mirfield's green spaces.

The amount of comments already submitted for this application shows the strength of feeling against this over development.

I hope my specific concerns and objections are given the most serious level of concern and consideration.

In these circumstances, I trust the Planning Application will be rejected.

Yours sincerely