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 come to the concerned area on a regular basis for family visits and object to the proposed planning application no. 2025/93355 for various reasons.

Hepworth Lane is an extremely narrow lane which already only allows one car to drive, mainly close to residents' homes.
The road is not made to accommodate a further possibly 112 cars from 75 residential dwellings as described as proposed vehicle spaces in the application for planning permission.
The amount of additional drivers will cause congestion far beyond Hepworth Lane, particularly during peak hours. As it is impossible to extend the width of the road due to existing residential buildings, the increase of the volume of traffic would impact safety and significantly increase the risk of accidents.
Particularly considering the high number of pupils walking along Grove Street and Hepworth Lane to get to/from school, the proposed plans will make their walk even more unsafe. There are even now no footpaths at Hepworth Lane and children have to walk on the road.
Furthermore, it is also already particularly difficult for those residents in Grove Street (off Hepworth Lane) to safely drive in and out given extremely limited sight. More traffic along this road would make driving even more dangerous.

The high number of additional residential dwellings and therefore new inhabitants would have far-reaching consequences for already stretched services in the area such as schools and healthcare services. The existing facilities are not made to accommodate such an increase of population in the area.
What is more, the proposed plans would increase the strain on infrastructure associated with more traffic, noise and pollution.
The area around the concerned field is an already densely built area and some houses stand very tightly next to another. More residential dwellings will affect privacy given its overbearing of proximity to the already existing houses.

For decades, the field has been used by residents for walks and recreation. It would be huge loss to residents residing around the area and beyond and indeed for Mirfield as a whole to lose a green space that is so vital in a densely populated area.