

Address: 2, St Mary's Avenue, Mirfield, WF14 0PX

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

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Highway safety and traffic

Crossley Fields Junior School is on Wellhouse Lane. Children are encouraged to walk to school for health benefits. Walking up Wellhouse Lane is already dangerously polluted with moving and stationary vehicles which are unable to move due to the volume of traffic particularly when the children are walking too and from school.

Wellhouse Lane is too narrow where it meets Flash Lane for two vehicles travelling in opposite directions to pass without driving on the narrow footpath. Hepworth Lane is narrow where it meets Flash Lane. There is no footpath at this point and walking there is hazardous.

Dunbottle Lane is overwhelmed with traffic when Castle Hall School, Mirfield Free Grammar and Crossley Fields release their pupils at the end of the school day. At this time it is impossible to turn right on to Flash Lane opposite the Dusty Miller as traffic is backed up and there is a long queue of cars coming along Dunbottle from Greenside and Lee Green also waiting to turn on Flash Lane.

On the grounds of safety the addition of at least 75 cars probably well in excess of 100 and maybe 150 will make the situation untenable.

People living up Well house Lane near the school are moving house due to the pollution caused by parents in parked cars leaving their engines running up to 30 minutes before school closes. These parents often block the drives of residents and refuse to move when asked.

Public Rights of Way MIR/19/10, MIR/15/10, MIR/15/50 MIR/12/40 are open enjoyable paths used by local people. They have wide ranging views. I think to enhance their application Bellway are suggesting planting trees and bushes alongside these paths.

Who will trim the bushes when they grow and their branches overhang the path making a once clear path dark, dingy and unwalkable as the undergrowth encroaches? Will Bellway employ someone to care for the path?

I am truly horrified that this plan envisages works

traffic using Jenny Lane to access this site. Heavy traffic will then turn right driving past Crossley Fields school to Woodward Court will there be restrictions from 8am to 9.30 am and from 14.30 to 15.30 when no heavy traffic uses these roads?

These same heavy, wide polluting vehicles will then exit the site onto Hepworth Lane. Will they want to turn right on to Flash Lane at a junction with poor visibility and cars parked further obscuring the view or will they all be forced to turn left and drive down Shillbank Lane?

The majority of people who live on Hepworth Lane currently leave their homes and return to them by driving down Hepworth Lane and returning to them the same way. Does the new plan mean Hepworth Lane will be one way and that to return home they will have to use Wellhouse Lane and make a right turn between the houses at the junction of Wellhouse and Hepworth or drive up to Jenny Lane and all the way from there back down to Hepworth Lane to get to their homes?

On the grounds of traffic movement and safety alone this plan should be rejected. Add on all the negative effects on health and the inconvenience to residents there is no way this plan should be passed.