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To: DC Admin
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Kirklees Council

I am writing to formally object once again to the proposed development on Balderstone Fields by Bellway Homes with their updated plans.
This development is totally unsuitable for this area.
Could someone please explain why the developers have been allowed to change the plans and submit an unusual amount of added documents when all comments were closed and no decision had been made by the council ?
The roads that surround this proposed development are totally unsuitable for the increased volume of traffic this development would generate.
The surrounding roads Hepworth Lane, Wellhouse Lane, etc are very narrow and have a lack of pavements for pedestrian safety, therefore allowing an exit from the site onto Hepworth lane would not only be dangerous but insane.
Vehicles using this exit would struggle to turn either left or right here as the road is very narrow and obviously residents park outside their properties on Hepworth Lane
The exit from Hepworth Drive onto Hepworth Lane is already difficult with restricted vision and the speed of some vehicles, there are also cars parked on the junction, these vehicles DO NOT belong to any of the residents on Hepworth drive, the junction along with Hepworth Lane is in an unsatisfactory state of repair, potholes and parts are down to the hardcore, there has been no maintenance on these particular roads for years.
Hepworth Lane is also used as a short cut to Sunnybank Road for some who don't want to queue in the traffic. mostly early evenings coming home from work.
The traffic studies carried out on behalf of the developers I would question as I feel the traffic has increased rather than decreased, the school traffic is really bad, but is also very bad at early evening when people are heading home from work, this brings traffic to a standstill on most of the surrounding roads, Sunnybank Road, Shillbank Lane, Flash Lane, Camm Lane and even Leeds Road.
Traffic calming measures and Yellow Lines around Woodward court will do nothing to deal with the volume of traffic, how is the NO parking going to be monitored and by whom ?
I would kindly urge the council to refuse the application for this proposed development.
Regards