

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

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BELLWAY claim that the egress into HEPWORTH LANE ensures "nil detriment " to the surrounding network - BUT - tough luck you residents and users of Hepworth Lane, the hazards and dangers of travel will rise to levels NEVER seen before and your Quality of life WILL take a knock.

The eastern most third of the lane, the HEPWORTH CORRIDOR is a walled stretch less than 4 mts wide with no footpaths or road markings. Vehicle and pedestrian traffic is two way and there are no mandatory restrictions on vehicle size and it is the pedestrian route of the school run. It is lined with dwellings with exits opening directly into the corridor and there is a feeder junction from a development of bungalows favoured by the elderly. The site lines from Hepworth drive junction are badly impaired by the lanes walls and width. Exit and Entry is precarious. The corridor is exited and entered from the east and west on the bend at Shillbank Top. Entry from both directions is into the corridor, a ONE WAY LANE of ALTERNATING BOTTLENECKS. Entry from the west is via an almost hairpin bend and sight of corridor lane conditions are not possible. The bend forces vehicles to the right blocking the corridor exit. There is much emergency breaking, and reversing too and fro - THIS IS THE REALITY NOW.

We are in a high potential conflict zone where responsibilities are vague and adherence to the Highway Code impractical.

UNBELIEVABLE as it may sound BELLWAY propose a new junction sited at the entry to the corridor to feed a flow of new through traffic down the corridor. Remember it is not just the movements of the 150+ vehicles based on site plus visitors and a plethora of large service vehicles to account for.

The Jan 26/2026 letter to us all proposes that any vehicle travelling from the north could by way of Woodward Court and the new road through the site exit at the new junction into the Hepworth Corridor as an alternative route avoiding the chaos that is the Welhouse area. We call this the WELLHOUSE BYPASS.

Bellway expect us to believe that the rearranging of vehicle movements will improve our lives; rather like rearranging deckchairs on the Titanic will improve the view. It is the sea, a sea of vehicles that will sink us with poorer lives. We are a laned travel area, hardly changed for a century, unless the bulldozers move in that is how it will remain. Over the past 40yrs it is the good unbiased common sense of our councillors and there service to people that have had the last word and we can expect our current councillors to respond likewise, the last word is NO WAY BELLWAY.