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PLANNING OBJECTION

RE: Upper Cumberworth 2025/60/93572/E

My name is _____ and I would like to object to the housing proposal in Upper Cumberworth. It's too big and it is in the wrong location for any housing. The tree and the field are in Green belt which should be protected. There should be no development on designated Green belt land. There can be no justification for it. Animals and plants should be protected. There are bats _____ and deer living on that field.

It has always been farmland, and even the farmer respected the tree in the middle. I understand that the two sycamores have got Tree Protection Orders on them, so that should offer double reason to throw the scheme out.

The housing will not be in keeping with the village. We are a small community with about 350 homes. There are a mix of really old conservation houses, old barn conversions, 1900s houses, ones built pre-war and post war and some more recent additions. It's an eclectic mix, which reflects how the village has slowly evolved.

But to suddenly build 123 houses will be like a village-within-a-village. Plus, there will be hundreds of new residents and hundreds of cars, and it will change the whole personality of Upper Cumberworth. Also, more traffic will mean more accidents, it's just a statistical inevitability. And there will not be enough spaces at the village school for more kids, so more traffic driving the kids to schools in Upper Denby, Denby Dale and Birds Edge.

I have lived in this village all my life and I am 19 years old and I know I am lucky to live in such a great village. The reason why it is so great is because it is small and the way it is. Otherwise, it will just feel built up like Scissett or Clayton West or Skelmanthorpe and lose its rural identity.

I used to play in the ancient woods with friends and visited the woods through Cumberworth School as part of their curriculum. I am particularly worried that the woods together with the wildlife and plants will be adversely affected.