



1, The green belt land should not be used as there are plenty of brown belt site and empty properties that could be used within the Kirklees area. The new local plan due 2026/27 must be fully funded and have balanced biodiversity, well-being and infrastructures (including schools, health centres, roads, drainage and internet speeds) which affects existing businesses and customers.

2, Reclassifying agricultural needs land for uk food supplies security in an extraordinarily turbulent world is not the answer. Ancient woodland helps mental well-being and biodiversity in our rural area, which was shown in the covid times. Unchecked urban sprawl does nothing for anyone. To develop too close to an ancient woodland would disturb the wildlife and it water catchment area.

3, The road is already a busy road and when you add in the extra car usage from another 123 houses there will be more pollution, noise, dangers from speeding motorists and this is before the extra lorries from the quarry will be using the road. All the roads in the surrounding area will suffer from the extra traffic. The pavements are not wide enough and have lots of potholes and are not suitable for children to wait to take their buses to school, I do not like walking up to the Post Office because the pollution and the traffic is too fast. We already experience trouble exiting and entering our drive from drivers not paying attention. Transport links are not sufficient to take car usage off the road as the buses are not frequent enough and the train station in Denby Dale will still having people driving and parking there which will cause parking problems there.

4, The drains need to be improved as we have had a sewer collapse that Yorkshire Water came out to, this was fixed at our side of the road but it took over a year for them to come back and fix the opposite side of the road where the main sewer pipe was. I do not think the existing pipe work(Victorian) will meet the needs of. New housing development. It is not sanitary to have effluent flowing don the road.

5, Developers need to finish existing developments and ensure there is proper infrastructure before applying to start new ones outside the local plan.

We have many friends who enjoy walking in the rural area and I hope that you will take all our concerns seriously as a long-standing resident and user of the woods, fields and footpaths in this rural village.