

Sent: 09 February 2026 16:40
To: DC Admin
Subject: Planning Ref.: Upper Cumberworth 2025/60/93572/E

Dear Sirs,

With reference to the above planning application I would like to point out some objections I would have:

1. Building 123 houses in UPPER CUMBERWORTH would, in my opinion, be too great a proportion relative to the current number of dwellings & the population of the village.
2. This number would overwhelm the current village infra-structure, amenities & facilities as we have seen in other local developments despite claims to update them.
3. The increase in the amount of traffic both initially during the construction phase and, particularly after completion of 123 houses would create a traffic hazard on what is already quite a busy road.
4. It is an impingement upon the "Green Belt" which, under the Labour Government's policy, seems to be acceptable but the disregard for nature will, in the long run, prove disastrous to our environment both locally, nationally & globally. Irreversible changes can already be witnessed with global warming causing severe climatic changes. Such as this is just "the thin edge of the wedge". Serious considerations must be made now & in the future to mitigate these risks.
5. Going roughshod in this way will affect the fauna & flora of the local ancient woodland and fields. A proposal, such as this will take years to complete during & after which disturbance would then not be recoverable in the neighbourhood for generations. Is it not better to conserve the "Green Belt" and utilise the "Brown Belt" sites which do need attention to be updated?
6. Consequently, the village's character and outlook would be changed forever.