

Sent: 09 February 2026 18:03
To: DC Admin
Subject: Planning application Upper Cumberworth 2025/60/93572/E

I am writing as a young adult who hopes to build a future in this village. I care deeply about where I live and what it will look like in years to come, which is why I feel compelled to object to this proposal.

Traffic is already an issue. Carr Hill Road is busy at peak times, particularly during school drop off and rush hour. The bend on the Road is dangerous now, and there have already been several serious accidents in the area. Adding over 100 additional homes will increase traffic and pollution. As someone who walks and travels these roads, this genuinely worries me.

There are ongoing drainage issues, with roads frequently closed. I work in Skelmanthorpe and repeatedly I have had to take diversions due to road closures. It is hard to see how the existing infrastructure can cope with a development this size.

Public transport is limited, meaning most new residents will rely on cars, further compounding traffic issues and impacting the environment with more pollution. As a young adult this is important to me, and I feel genuinely worried about what it will mean for the future of the village.

The site is designated green belt land, and I am unclear why you are proposing greenbelt before using grey and brown field sites. Development is not the problem – it is where and how it happens that matters. Building on protected greenbelt land, placing pressure on already stretched roads, schools and drainage systems, risking harm to ancient woodland does not feel like sustainable growth. It feels rushed and short sighted.

For the reasons outlined above I strongly urge the council to refuse this application.