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**From:**  
**Sent:** 11 February 2026 17:17  
**To:** DC Admin  
**Subject:** Objection to Proposed Planning Application: Land South of Barnsley Road, Upper  
Cumberworth, Huddersfield HD8 8NN - Application No: 2025/60/93572/E

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I wish to object to the above proposed planning application.

Although I no longer reside in Upper Cumberworth, however, I do retain connections with the village and continue to live within HD8. I lived in the village for 22 years, leaving on marriage in 1983. My late mother lived happily within the village for over 60 years and I have close family who are currently resident there.

HD8 generally, has absorbed its share of new housing development over recent years and is rapidly becoming one huge conurbation. No longer is there definition as to where one village begins and ends. Upper Cumberworth is in danger of following suit.

The A635 is a notoriously busy, fast and dangerous road. The creation of a further junction in order to allow access in/out of the proposed new development site is an accident waiting to happen. A further 123 vehicles, potentially more, accessing/using the A635 will add increased danger, increase volume and create bottlenecks at existing junctions at key times of the day. Any increase in relation to volume of traffic will impact not only Upper Cumberworth, but also surrounding villages where major commuter routes run i.e. the A636 which serves commuters using the M1 heading for Leeds/Sheffield.

Pedestrians find it difficult and dangerous to safely cross either the A635 or the A636 at key times of the day due to current huge amounts of heavy traffic using our main commuter roads. Imagine the impact of a further 123 vehicles, at best?

Upper Cumberworth does not have its own GP or Dental Surgery. A further 123 families will inevitably put strain on already overstretched GP/Dental services in either Shepley, Skelmanthorpe or Denby Dale. Wait times for GP appointments is already unacceptably long.

Local schools would become overwhelmed, as its highly doubtful Upper Cumberworth C of E School would be able to accommodate the shear influx of new children.

The proposed development land has been farmed and used for agriculture for the last 60 years, probably longer, producing much needed crops. It is vital that our local farmers continue to produce grain and other crops. We are in danger of losing even more green belt land with its agricultural amenity value to more concrete with the resultant issues on the natural environment, let alone climate implications, drainage and other physical problems. I consider that this planning application should be refused.

I confirm, I wish to be anonymous online.