

Subject: Planning ref Upper Cumberworth 2025/60/93572/E

Good morning

OBJECTION Re the proposed development of 123 houses by Vivly Living south of Barnsley Road, Upper Cumberworth.

I was brought up in Denny Dale and have many relatives in the area including Upper Cumberworth. Over the years I have spent many happy hours in and around Stephens Wood enjoying the peace and quiet and observing the wildlife in the ancient woodland. This of course included the rare wood ants which were always a fascinating highlight.

I feel that a development of this size would impact negatively on the local countryside especially the most important ancient woodland which I continue to visit often.

This is not to forget the impact on the local population who have already seen changes to the very busy Barnsley Road with the many lorries from the new quarry nearby.

Those with driveways onto the main road already struggle to leave and enter their property. I feel that 123 houses with at least 2 cars each will impact very unfavourably on the whole area especially at busy times for commuters, the school run etc.

There is also the consideration of local facilities. Will capacity of schools, medical centres be increased.. these are already oversubscribed.

What about infrastructure? Drainage, roadways etc. can they cope with the extra wear and tear. I think not.

Please do not allow this development to go ahead in this area. The small community cannot and environs cannot cope with such a large increase in people, cars, waste etc.