

Address: 40, Bluehills Lane, Huddersfield, Hd8 8rq

### About the application

Application number: 2025/93572	
What is the application for?:	Outline application with all matters reserved, bar vehicle access into the site,
Address of the site or building:	Land South of, Barnsley Road, Upper Cumberworth, Huddersfield, HD8 8NN
Postcode:	

### User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	No
<p>I object to the proposed development in Upper Cumberworth. I grew up in this village, attended the school and played with friends everyday outside in the fields and woodland. I can not overstate how lucky I was to have that as my childhood. I still live in the village and raise my children here and when they are old enough I want them to be able to experience the outdoors in the same way I did.</p> <p>The ancient woodland has a unique and well established ecosystem including ant colonies that aren't found elsewhere in the area. The location of the field directly next to the woods means it's a valuable habitat for deer, bats birds and insects. Building in such close proximity to this woodland (approximately 10 metres, rather than the national guidelines of 50 metres) mean this will surely have a profound effect on this unique site.</p> <p>The development would also destroy a much loved view of the village from along park lane and up to Birdsedge.</p> <p>The village will grow a huge amount damaging a close knit and trusting community which is a very rare thing in today's world.</p> <p>Along with this, the current infrastructure simply cannot cope with such a huge lift in residences. The current water and waste systems are already at breaking point with frequent instances of burst pipes and overflowing sewers, especially in heavy rain. The road network is also already an issue with accident black spots nearby at the Sovereign and Carr Hill Road junctions and the already approved quarry works along with this development will create a huge uplift in traffic without any proposed improvements being made to the roads.</p> <p>The school is already at its limit in terms of pupil numbers, and with no guarantee that any money provided by the developer going directly to the school or community then the proposal simply should not be allowed to proceed.</p> <p>I appreciate the need for further housing but I plead that this green belt land is spared especially as this proposal appears to fall outside of Kirklees Council's own policy on development of green belt land.</p>	