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To: DC Admin
Subject: FAO Ellie Thornhill - APPLICATION 2025/60/93572/E

To whom It may concern

I am writing this short message to express my feelings and concerns towards the magical wooded area in Kirklees ,which has been proposed for destruction to make way for development for housing

One of my fondest memories of the
kirklees wooded area waswhen I visited my sister

This would have been perhaps 15-20 years ago

.My sister moved to the Kirkees area with her husband they bought a run down house which they renovated .My sister raised 3 young boys in that home .Their home was in walking distance to the Kirklees wooded area, which they first learnt about from the locals who often trekked in and around the wooded area.

On my visit We would go on daily walks through the woodsand surrounding countryside. The young boys found a make shift swing that someone had built so other youngsters oryoung at heart could enjoy (a rope tied to a short old log)

The boys were all under 10 years old, they were running around and interacting with nature. They overturned logs and saw the vast amount of insect life .They were transfixed as they watched nature perform its daily routine

We saw squirrels in the trees. I am sure there were plenty of other wildlife in there too but were keeping out of sight

The kirklees wooded area should be allowed to stay so that Yorkshire folk and visitors like me can continue to enjoy a natural Yorkshire habitat that has been left untouched for many previous generations gone

Yorkshire is truly a special place with all its untouched and protected Greenbelt land .This Kirkees field beside the wooded area ,which I have become aware of is also Greenbelt land and should also

be given the same protection .I believe it should be left untouched so that current and future generations can continue to enjoy the magical wooded area of Kirklees