



I strongly oppose the proposal to develop on the field adjacent to highly important Ancient Woodland.

The position of this field is picturesque and is known to so many people and is on a popular walking route. The view directly from my house would be ruined if the development was allowed to go ahead, with high garden fences blotting the landscape and new builds towering above any nearby properties.

I have walked here for more than 40 years with my parents, children, dog and friends. It would be so unfair if future generations could not enjoy doing the same.

The proposed development of 123 houses is out of keeping with the size, character, and rural nature of the village. The scale and density of the proposal would result in overdevelopment, altering the character of the village and removing its identity as a small village

I am concerned that there will be an increasing amount of dust, light, air and soil pollution and increasing disturbance to wildlife (including the hairy ant that is currently habitant in the woods and the deer that are regularly seen in the said field), also trampling of plants, erosion of soil and noise from additional people, traffic and domestic pets.

The proposal would place significant strain on existing infrastructure, including local roads, parking and schools. Each dwelling would probably bring at least 2 cars, meaning at least an additional 226 cars driving through the village, pulling out on an already busy A road, extremely close to an already unsafe bus stop that the school children wait at in the morning. The amount of double parking in the village and the junctions at Cumberworth Lane/Carr Hill Road and at the Sovereign are waiting for an accident to happen as it stands, never mind with another 226 cars in the village.

In addition to where the proposed entrance/exit to the development will be, there is also the addition of the lorries that will be using the same road, pulling out of the tip 200 yards down the road at the Quarry!

The developer suggests a 15 meter buffer to the ancient woodland would protect it from any harm. To avoid any root damage which can result in loss or deterioration of the woodland a much larger buffer of 50m is certainly needed.

The proposal is unsustainable. A rural development on greenbelt land is not something we need when there are plenty of brownfield sites that can be used. I urge the planning authority to refuse the application.