

DC Admin

From:
Sent: 16 February 2026 17:21
To: DC Admin
Subject: Upper Cumberworth 2025/60/93572/E

Good afternoon,

I am writing to strongly object to the construction of well over 100 houses on green belt land at Upper Cumberworth.

This land has been designated as green belt in the adopted local plan and if this construction goes ahead will be lost forever. The local plan review has not yet been made and therefore this land should be upheld as green belt to remain within the lawful process.

The land is also directly next to ancient woodland with diverse species and any development with only 15m of 'boundary' would still have a potential detrimental effect not only during the construction process but then also once hundreds of extra people and pets are living there.

This brings me onto my next point. The parking in and around Cumberworth is already congested particularly near the post office, pub and the school. The infrastructure of the village would not cope with an extra 200 cars. The safety of pupils en route to and from the school would be compromised and the extra danger on the main road of cars entering and exiting from the site would be significantly increased, especially near to the cross roads of the A635 and Carr Hill Rd, as there are poor sight lines already at this junction. The A635 has a 40mph limit which is regularly breached which exacerbates the danger of any potential new junctions and extra pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

Talking of infrastructure, there are already evidence of existing sewer and drainage capacity problems which no doubt would be made worse with 100 extra toilets flushing several times every morning. No doubt each of the planned houses would have at least one electrical car charging point which would mean between 300 kW and 4300 kW of extra power needed depending on the type of chargers used. This area already has electrical power cuts on a regular basis.

In summary, the site is poorly located for employment, facilities and public transport and therefore would be unsustainable without a massive impact on local services, schools, the environment and poses an increasing danger for all road users.

P.S. I have elderly relatives that live in Upper Cumberworth.