

Upper Cumberworth
Huddersfield HD8 8PA

PLEASE DO NOT PRINT MY NAME

Reference: **Application number 2025/60/93572/E**

I am writing to object to the proposal of 'Outline application with all matters reserved, bar vehicle access into the site, for erection of up to 123 dwellings with associated works including open space, landscaping, drainage infrastructure.'

My daughter has recently moved to Upper Cumberworth, and during frequent visits I have explored the village and surrounding countryside and discovered a landscape of rolling fields and stunning views alongside a small community of people enjoying a quiet (and remote at times due to the weather and lack of good public transport) and peaceful existence. This, however, is not the case during peak traffic times or school pick up and drop off times. There is a hazardous junction at The Star Inn and cars can be double parked along Cumberworth Lane near the primary school regularly creating a back up of traffic in both directions where cars cannot pass in those busy times. The addition of up to 300 people/ children will only exacerbate this situation greatly increasing risk of accidents and injuries to the road and footpath users.

In addition to the increase in traffic levels the proposal to build a substantial new development in a greenbelt plot which forms the centrepiece of the countryside views across from the hillside at High Flatts to Upper Cumberworth and is intrinsic to the character of the village would be catastrophic. The impression upon entering the village by road or by foot would be forever changed from a country village to a landscape dominated by new houses, road junctions and vehicles. Please access Google Maps where you can see a 'foothill view' pinned with accompanying reviews and photographs noting the beauty and quality of this green belt field and views.

The residents of the new housing should planning be permitted will find themselves car bound to travel to their places of work, doctors surgeries, shops and services. The dangerous narrow footpath along the extremely busy A635 would deter anyone from using it to attempt to walk the 1.1 miles to the train station, or over 2km to the library and other shops and services in Denby Dale.

I request that this outline application be rejected.