

Address: 1, Hollybank Avenue, Huddersfield, HD8 8NY

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 wish to register my strong objection to the proposed housing development on Barnsley Road Upper Cumberworth. Having lived in the village for over 40 years and worked across Kirklees for 30 years, I believe that the village communities in this area bring their own character and contribution to this rural area. Without doubt an additional 120+ houses will negatively impact on the character of Upper Cumberworth.</p> <p>The proposed site is designated green belt - for a reason. Preserving green spaces is vital for people's well-being, not just locals but those who travel to Upper Cumberworth to enjoy the benefits of walking around and through the ancient woodland.</p> <p>The volume of traffic on Barnsley Road, Carr Hill Road and Cumberworth Lane has increased significantly over recent years causing increased risk to road users and pedestrians. Much of the village is without safe pavements and the junctions at The Sovereign and top of Carr Hill Road have seen numerous accidents and 'near misses'. There is already concern about the increased lorry traffic expected as a result of the Bromley Farm Quarry development - the additional traffic from 123 homes can only make this worse. Unfortunately the lack of regular public transport in the area means most residents are reliant on using cars to get anywhere.</p> <p>Upper Cumberworth benefits from having an excellent village school. However it's space is limited both physically and in terms of the PAN. It is difficult to see how the educational needs of families living on the proposed development could be met locally.</p> <p>There are three Health Centres in the area - Shepley, Denby Dale and Skelmanthorpe. All three of these villages have seen significant housing development over recent years resulting on increasing pressure on local health services and subsequent challenges in accessing appointments and support when necessary. I would argue that there is no capacity to accommodate an additional 120+ families within current provision.</p>	