

Address: 6, FLEET STREET, SCISSETT, HUDDERSFIELD, HD8 9JJ

### 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 strongly object the planning due to the problems it will cause. I have grown up in this area, and the field and those surrounding it, have become cherished memories of my childhood which has shaped me into who I am today. The countryside around this village has always inspired me, so much that it became part of my Alevel coursework, investigating the species richness/biodiversity of the village and how it compares to more built up areas in Kirklees, this interest then led me to securing a place at York University in Geography and the Environment. In my research, I found that the species richness of the area is significantly high in areas such as the Upper Dearne Woodland, as well as along the stream. These houses would be next to these areas and therefore could lead to detrimental impacts to the biodiversity. Even though, it's currently an agricultural field it acts as an environment for many species to travel through to other habitats safely, this will be stopped if planning goes ahead. Some recorded species in the woodland by the conservation group that could be at risk from impacts of the development such as litter, include Stoats, Hares, and Deer; as well as the Red Wood Ant (<i>Formica Rufa</i>), a species known to be scarce in Yorkshire. Furthermore, the development will also result in a large cover of impermeable surfaces such as tarmac for roads, pavements and driveways. Even with drains, rainwater will no longer absorb into the ground and will instead act as runoff water into other surrounding fields, the woodland and</p>	

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the stream, this may increase flooding in the area and more water to enter the stream which has

already eroded the land around it/widened over the last decade, impacting other surrounding

agricultural fields. I also believe that we should strive to build homes on existing brownfield sites

as they are unused and may already have existing roads/power connections.

Transforming them

will also lead to areas becoming more vibrant/regenerated.

The addition of 123 houses will become extremely overwhelming to the village, as at least an

addition of 120 cars will be added into the area, leading to a build-up of traffic on the A635 which

will cause extreme disruptions such as to public transportation which many rely on in the area.

The planning will also lead to overcrowding, as the village doesn't have sufficient facilities for this

amount of new families, as there is only a small school, pub and post office.

Furthermore, there

isn't any Dental or GP surgeries meaning they will have to resort to others, in villages such as

Skelmanthorpe and Denby Dale which may not be able to cope with so many new additions. The

character of the village may be entirely lost if a development of such a large scale is put in place,

I believe it is vital to protect this area and the character of the village, so that it remains a sustainable and inspiring village.