

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?	Yes
<p>I strongly object to this planning application.</p> <p>This land is designated Green Belt, which has not been assigned as building land and should never be! The field is currently full of sheep eating the crops that have been grown on that land. It's crazy to think that this beautiful landscape could be covered in tarmac and concrete!</p> <p>Many residents moved to Cumberworth because it's a small village with beautiful rural landscapes. The proposal would also result in permanent loss of the biodiversity, habitats and wildlife that this land nurtures. The site would be situated next to the Ancient Woodland. This will suffer from all the pollution this development will bring. The NPPF affords strong protection to irreplaceable habitats such as Ancient Woodland and states that development resulting in their loss or deterioration should be refused as it is totally unnecessary to destroy this part of the countryside.</p> <p>There are longstanding issues with the antiquated water/sewer structure. On Barnsley Road, near to the proposed site, there has been multiple burst mains and service failures over the last few years, leading to repeated disruption, closures and damage to the road surface. The sewer system leaks foul smelling discharge in heavy rain. This indicates existing infrastructure is already under strain. The proposal does not provide any clear evidence that the water supply and drainage networks have the capacity to accommodate the additional substantial demand from 100+ homes. It will link to Denby Dale, which has already got its own drainage problems. There is also an ongoing problem with water running down from the Bromley Farm site onto Barnsley Road, which is a hazard in icy weather.</p> <p>Public transport is very poor in the village. Residents have to go to Denby Dale to get a better service which is a couple of kilometres away and the walk is hazardous due to the road speed and lonely exposure.</p> <p>The amenities are very limited in the village.</p>	

It was a blow to Cumberworth residents when Kirklees approved the planning application for the Quarry, now there's going to be 100s of heavy-laden trucks thundering up and down this fast moving 40mph(?) road, daily, this hasn't been factored into the traffic survey Vivly have commissioned. This alone is going to be detrimental to the village, environment and resident's health. The development could potentially add another 200+ vehicles, plus their deliveries etc, on a daily basis through the village. The road noise already sounds like a motorway!

The proposed footpath to/from the site, via Barnsley Road, would involve walking up the main road, which currently does not have a pavement and having to cross Carr Hill Road junction to get to the pedestrian crossing, which will be hazardous. People will use their cars instead of walking.

Residents are suffering the dirt, air/noise pollution and parking congestion created by the school traffic, which must be at high levels. The school does not have any staff parking so Cumberworth Lane, Dearnfield and Hollybank Avenue have become a car park. It's time Kirklees did something about this situation and look at implementing a clean air zone programme around the school. This development will make it much worse for the residents.

Cumberworth Lane has also become a cut through for the heavy Barden Freight wagons travelling to/from their distribution site in Lower Cumberworth, the road is too narrow. The wagons mount the pavements when passing other vehicles, making it hazardous for pedestrians walking between villages. If the quarry wagons start using this route as well, it's going to become very dangerous!

The green belt in HD8 is being torn up. Shepley, Skelmanthorpe and Denby Dale have all had massive new developments in recent years and there are still many more planning applications pending. All these villages share the same services, GP Surgeries, dentist etc which are already under massive pressures. Kirklees Council must consider the environmental impact all these new build estates are loading onto the infrastructure and services before the situation implodes!

The development will increase crime in the area.

Vivly have not made any attempt to meet with the residents of Cumberworth to discuss this development, so they cannot say they have listened to us! There are many brown field sites to build on, there is no need to destroy prime Green Belt land. Developers consider the profit they will make, not the impact on the environment or existing residents. Please refuse this planning application.