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Dear Kirklees

I'm writing to share my thoughts on the proposed building site in Upper Cumberworth. This is the village I grew up in, and now my neighbouring village. It's small, served by a pub and a shop, and it's known for its ancient woods, small church and open countryside.

I recognise that some compromises have to be made as populations grow and housing needs evolve, but to double the size of a village using greenbelt, rather than develop grey field sites across Kirklees is short sighted at best and downright dangerous at worst.

The village roads cannot accommodate the traffic that this estate would create- and certainly not the building site traffic that will be necessary to complete the proposed work. And I dread to think what will happen to Carr Rd as even more vehicles feel forced to use it to avoid the dangerous and often backed-up sovereign junction. Fields are convenient building sites, but they are also essential for our food security, our climate preparedness and our wellbeing- not to mention the wellbeing of the diverse nature that continues to thrive thanks to the wild spaces around us. I urge you to weight these considerations at least as highly as the 'advantage' of having more people living in rural West Yorkshire.

I would prefer to have my views shared without my name and address attached please, to protect my privacy.

Best