



My objections are primarily concerning the inevitable increased traffic and parking issues on Cumberworth lane.

This road serves an already inadequate school drop off and pick up area and a cut through for cars and large lorries travelling to Shelley and as a cut through to Denby dale.

It narrows by the Church and cricket club into a dangerous passage for vehicles that are too big and travelling too fast for it to be safe for pedestrians to even walk on the narrow pavements.

Increasing the village population by circa 20% is a huge concern, making an already dangerous traffic area worse.

Having had 20 years of a front line view of Barnsley road and Cumberworth lane with its increasingly burdened network of narrow roads and pathways is a huge concern if there is a potential increase of vehicle traffic on the horizon.

There is very little parking left available for the village Post Office and no official parking for the school.

There are potentially suitable fields surrounding the perimeter of cumberworth lane but as i understand i hear no suggestion of making the village safer by the council acquiring a viable position for a car park to make the village safer for its residents if it plans to increase the village population.

The water supply down Barnsley road has also been a big issue over the last few years with inadequate reliable pipework that services the existing houses. Consistent burst pipes and ensuing repairs and traffic disruption. Increasing demands on the road network with further quarrying recently passed by the council and increased HGV's churning up the road and putting the antiquated pipework under more pressure.

The volume of noise and air pollution should also be a concern for any growing village. We have recently fitted electric air filters in our bedrooms and lounge next to Barnsley road and seeing the physically dirt and silt that passes through the filters when they are changed is frightening. This has all significantly worsened over the past 3 years.

Local amenities, like waiting times at doctors and dentists are also a worrying aspect to increasing a village population by a such a significant degree.

I recently had a call from Shepley doctors to have telephone consultation with a doctor. I have to wait almost 3 weeks for an appointment.

Something will break if these plans are given the go ahead and it will be to the detriment of the existing village residents.