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Hello

I lived in Upper Cumberworth very near to where this development is intended for. As a result I have a real understanding of how this development will negatively impact the area in a number of ways:

- The main Barnsley Road next to the site is a very busy, fast road and this development will significantly increase the traffic coming on to the road in that area. More traffic here will also increase the number of vehicles approaching the Sovereign junction which is already a very busy and tricky junction which sees a significant number of accidents every year.
- The ancient woodlands next to the site are critically important to preserve properly - there are important historical sites in the woods and the local wildlife includes the European ant population and there is also significant bat activity in the area. This amount of homes right next to the woodland will have a detrimental effect on the wildlife
- The local Cumberworth School will find it hard to cope with significant additional requirements for pupils - there isn't much ability to expand the footprint of the school buildings and adding 50+ children into the space available will surely have a significant negative experience for all pupils attending the school
- The number of additional people moving to the area - c290 people will put immense pressure on local services which are already struggling to cope - Denby Dale offers some facilities but there would be little employment opportunity nearby and services such as public transport have been reduced over the years, not lending itself to such a significant increase in population in such a small location

Thank you

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