

## 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>The application site lies within the Green Belt. The NPPF states that the fundamental aim of Green Belt policy is to prevent urban sprawl by keeping land permanently open. Vivly Living has not demonstrated the 'Very Special Circumstances' required to outweigh the harm caused by the loss of this open space. The 'need for housing' alone does not typically constitute a very special circumstance when other non-Green Belt sites are available.</p> <p>The development poses a direct threat to the Ancient Woodland bordering the site. Under NPPF Paragraph 186, planning permission should be refused if development results in the loss or deterioration of irreplaceable habitats. The noise, light pollution, and domestic runoff from 123 homes will inevitably degrade the ecological integrity of this woodland.</p> <p>Upper Cumberworth is recognized for its unique 'gritstone village' character. This development would create a suburban sprawl that fails to 'preserve or enhance' the character of the Conservation Area, violating Kirklees Local Plan Policy LP24 and the council's own Conservation Area Appraisal for the village.</p> <p>The traffic situation around The Sovereign PH / Carr Hill Road / Cross Lane is intolerable at present. The building of new homes, (predominately owners with at least 1 car each) will likely exacerbate the current situation.</p>	