



I wish to object to this application . I have knowledge of the site as I walk there with my family on a regular basis.

This is not a suitable site , it is Greenbelt land used for farming . I saw on Sunday it has grazing sheep on it . The paths and network of the upper Dearne valley of which Stephen wood is a part , are a wonderful asset. They offer peace and quiet to enjoy nature . All of this will be destroyed . The noise and pollution caused will not only damage the biodiversity but it will ruin this area for walking and public enjoyment .

Adding 123 houses will increase the risk of accidents and add to the congestion around the Carr Hill/Cumberworth Lane and Sovereign crossroads. The traffic already means that you feel like you are risking your life navigating these areas and there have been multiple collisions I do not recognise the calculations used by the developer showing of 18 inward and 42 outward additional journeys at morning at morning rush hour with the reverse at evening peak time especially when you consider that over 75% of travel in Kirklees Rural is by car. The distances used by the developer to demonstrate that people will walk are inaccurate , they also have no consideration of terrain , patterns of behaviour suggest people will not walk back up the hill with shopping from Denby Dale. The bus and train routes are unreliable and young people travelling to college in Huddersfield have to be dropped off by parents to neighbouring villages. In short it is not a sustainable location.

LP28 states that development will only be permitted if it can be demonstrated that the water supply and waste water infrastructure required is available to meet the new demand. Other detailed objections concerning the sewage and drainage cover the points to be raised and demonstrate the failure of the proposal to meet LP28.

LP30 demands that proposals having a direct or indirect adverse effect on Ancient Woodland will not be permitted unless the benefits clearly outweigh the need to safeguard the local conservation value. Other objections have covered in detail the potential effects of the proposed drainage /sewage on the Woodland as well as the totally inadequate 15m buffer zone proposed.

I support all the objections made as to the potential effects this proposal will have on the Woodland and habitat and would ask that these are taken fully into consideration and given the great weight they deserve.

There are other reasons for rejecting this speculative application which in combination with the harm to landscape character, total unsuitability of sustainable location , the proven inadequacy of the current drainage / sewage system and the harm to the Ancient Woodland significantly and demonstrably outweigh any perceived benefit and I would strongly urge you to reject this proposal in its entirety.