

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>I am objecting to this application in the strongest terms . I regularly visit upper cumberworth and walk in the woods that abut this proposal . They are beautiful , whatever the season , the network of paths which form part of the upper Dearne way are a real public amenity . The woods link Birsdedge , upper Cumberworth and join paths to upper Denby , they are part of the rich heritage of the area. They were used by mill workers walking to and from work .</p> <p>Today they are home to a variety of animals and plants and provide much joy to those walking there . If this development goes ahead all this will change , the long range views will be destroyed , the woodland edge will be eroded and increased cats residing with their owners will decimate the bird and rodent population. The buffer proposed by the developer is not in line with woodland trust guidance on protecting ancient woodland and the proximity of ant development will impact on light and noise pollution. These woods once lost will be lost as a public amenity forever. They are used by the local school for outdoor curriculum and are treasured by locals who volunteer to tend and manage them.</p> <p>The drainage infrastructure is not there and neither are the amenities . There is little employment locally and so it is not a sustainable location as the developer states . In any event the distances set out in the plans are wrong .</p> <p>The impact on the highways and traffic is also grossly underestimated. It is already horrendous at peak times and this development if it proceeds will make it worse . There is not housing need here , build where need exists in the north of the borough as your own plans tell you . Houses here have been on the market for months and aren't selling , including on the developers own estates .</p> <p>We do not want villages to merge we want them to retain their own identity and heritage - refuse this</p>	