

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	
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<p>The application is critical of the council's performance in relation to provision of new housing in Kirklees. It recommends that the development of green belt land is therefore necessary. The developer suggests that the council should therefore approve their development on an ad-hoc basis, rather than allowing the Council to review the reasons for their housing targets not being met (on the assumption that this is the case), and then reviewing the current local plan as part of development of the revised local plan which is due shortly. It may be that developers such as Vivly view the development of green belt land much more lucrative. Whilst green belt land is under such threats, it is no wonder that parcels of land previously identified by the Council as suitable, may not have been attractive to developers. If the council permits development of green belt, of course less attractive areas of land will be avoided. Perhaps this is a tactic being adopted by all developers at the moment, given the government's directives and consequently why the council's targets are not being met. The council should refuse this application and reassess the local plan as scheduled, rather than being coerced by developers.</p> <p>The argument put forward by the developer that the Green Belt should be classified as grey belt, is their subjective and inheritantly biased interpretation of the guidelines. It is my opinion that the area of land forms a distinct boundary to the village, the development of which would be harmful to the integrity of the village as a community. I note that the land is active farmland, which provides local employment and secures local food sources.</p> <p>The developer's study does not consider impact of the development traffic at the junction between Carr Hill Road and Penistone Road (A629). No impact on queing and on accident potential has been considered. It is noted that Kirklees has identified this area has having high accident rates and is about to install traffic calming measures in an effort to mitigate the problem. Traffic from the proposed development, together with the high volume of HGVs being using during the recently approved Bromley Farm quarry extension will add to the safety concerns at these junctions.</p>	