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I object to the above application to build on green belt land in Upper Cumberworth.

I am concerned at the potential loss of more land to housing when the surrounding area has already seen major developments ie Skelmanthorpe and Shepley.

This site was not on the council's building plan and at a time when we are beginning to recognise the need for green space and countryside this application, which is next door to the ancient woodland enjoyed by adults and children alike, seems like a step in the wrong direction.

A new housing development would impact on traffic on Barnsley Road and Penistone Road and would increase the traffic at both the crossroads at The Star pub and The Sovereign. Both junctions are already difficult to navigate, particularly at peak times, and an increase in cars would definitely make this problem worse. I am already expecting an increase in quarry traffic from the local quarry. I am aware speed cameras could be a possibility at the sovereign junction and although any measure to calm the traffic is welcomed, this would be negated by increasing the volume of traffic by building more houses which inevitably means more cars.

When considering this application please also take into account the impact of more new homes/people would have on our local services. As a patient at both Shepley surgery and Shepley dentists I know the local community have received excellent care from both. I am already concerned that this could change as a result of the major developments already started in Shepley and adding even more houses could further stretch these key services. The local bus service is also extremely limited with the railway station is a fair walk along the busy roadside. Finally can any impact on the water and sewage services be taken into account.

Thank you for reading my concerns, please count this email as an objection to the proposed development Upper Cumberworth 2025/60/93572/E but do not publish my name.