

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>I write on behalf of one of my adult children, who no longer lives locally, to object very strongly to the building of a housing estate on Green Belt fields along the Barnsley Road in Upper Cumberworth. I lived in Upper Cumberworth from 1980 until I finally moved away for work when I was in my early twenties. I attended the local schools. The village remains dear to my heart. My brother and sister and our friends valued – and still value – the beautiful rural aspect of Upper Cumberworth, separated by fields and woods from other settlements in the area. The proposed development would destroy this forever. In particular, it would block the lovely vista up to Birds Edge. I also fear that it would be a prompt for further building on the two open fields further down the Barnsley Road towards the junction at the Catch Bar where the Wakefield Road begins, blurring the attractive separation from Denby Dale. When I was young, my brother and sister and our friends regarded the woods adjacent to the field as a special place. We and our friends loved to roam there. When my own children were young and we returned, as we still do, to visit my parents who live in the village to this day, we all delight to walk there. The construction of houses in such close proximity to the woods will not just spoil the view, it will harm the wildlife that lives there. I would not want children growing up in the village now not to be able to enjoy the local environment as I did during my own childhood. Another obvious concern would be the increase in the number of cars using the local roads. Typically these days houses of the kind being considered will have two cars. Some may have three. This implies an extra 250 cars entering and leaving the main road during the day. The fact that public transport is poor and sometimes unreliable means that having a car makes it essential for anyone living in the house to have transport of their own. In short the application should be turned down.</p>	