

## 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 would like to submit my objection to the proposed development on the green belt land at Upper Cumberworth. My son attends Cumberworth First School and some of his favourite school activities involve walks through the local woodland and countryside close to the proposed development site. The children are encouraged to learn about nature, wildlife and the environment around them, which is such an important part of growing up in a rural village. It is genuinely upsetting to think that an area valued so highly by local families and schools could be permanently changed by a development of this scale. I regularly walk around this area myself and feel strongly that the countryside surrounding Upper Cumberworth should be protected. The openness of the field, the nearby woodland and the natural landscape are part of what makes this area special. They provide a peaceful space for people to walk, exercise and enjoy nature, and once that green belt land is lost, it cannot simply be replaced elsewhere. I am not opposed to housing developments in principle. I live on a newer housing estate myself, so I fully understand the need for additional homes. However, there is a huge difference between building in appropriate locations and building on protected green belt land that sits alongside ancient woodland and important wildlife habitats. What concerns me most is the long-term impact this would have on the environment and the character of the village. Increased traffic, noise, pollution and construction so close to woodland and open countryside would inevitably damage the rural nature of the area and place additional pressure on wildlife. I also feel this proposal is unsustainable in the wrong location. There must be more appropriate sites available for housing that do not involve sacrificing protected countryside that is clearly valued by the wider community. For these reasons, I strongly object to this application and respectfully ask that it is refused.</p>	