

About the application

Application number: 2026/90179	
What is the application for?:	Erection of detached dwelling and garage with associated external alterations
Address of the site or building:	Land Adjacent, 144a, Latham Lane, Gomersal, Cleckheaton, BD19 4AR
Postcode:	BD19 4AR

User comments

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<p>The proposed development should be refused by virtue of its siting on the frontage of Latham Lane, and having particular regard to the proposed two-storey dwelling in a prominent location. It which would result in a significant change to the openness of the existing land which is allocated as Green Belt in the Kirklees Local Plan.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) - December 2024 - confirms at Paragraph 142 that the fundamental aim of Green Belt policy is to prevent urban sprawl by keeping land permanently open; the essential characteristics of Green Belts are their openness and their permanence. There is no definition of 'openness' in the Framework, but it is commonly taken to mean the absence of development.</p> <p>If granted, the proposed development would represent an encroachment into the designated Green Belt area on Latham Lane, significantly affecting its openness and contrary to the aims of the NPPF of preventing urban sprawl. It would set a precedent for similar future proposed developments within Green Belt areas fronting Latham Lane.</p> <p>Note the refusal of application 2020/62/90932/E along similar grounds, approximately 250m from the proposed development.</p>	