

Address: 7, SUNNY COURT, BATLEY, WF17 8FQ

About the application

Application number: 2026/90310	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 37 dwellings with associated access, parking, landscaping and creati
Address of the site or building:	land off, Sunny View, White Lee, Batley, WF17 8FP
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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<p>I wish to raise concerns regarding the adequacy and weight that should be afforded to the submitted Statement of Pre-Application Consultation (December 2025) .</p> <p>Whilst the document seeks to demonstrate compliance with the NPPF and the Council's Statement of Community Involvement, the consultation exercise was limited in scope and does not appear to have meaningfully influenced the final scheme.</p> <p>Leaflets were distributed to only 87 properties, despite the proposal affecting a wider residential area, users of the Public Right of Way and Asquith Fields, and those travelling along White Lee Road. No public exhibition, drop-in event, or ward-wide engagement was undertaken. For a proposal involving the loss of designated Urban Greenspace, this level of consultation is modest.</p> <p>Most significantly, the consultation results show overwhelming opposition: 98.3% of respondents were strongly against the development, 91.5% rejected the need for additional housing locally, and 91.5% opposed the proposed open space. Despite this, the scheme was not materially altered. The Statement concludes that the process was "objective" and provided a "genuine opportunity to influence the proposals," yet no substantive design changes appear to have resulted from the feedback received.</p> <p>The suggestion that multiple responses may have been submitted by the same individuals is speculative and unsupported by evidence. This risks diminishing the weight of local opposition without substantiation.</p> <p>In summary, whilst consultation was undertaken, it was limited in geographic scope, short in duration, and demonstrably did not influence the proposal in any meaningful way. Accordingly, the Statement should be given limited weight in determining the application.</p>	