

Address: 8, 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

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I am writing to formally object to the proposed development of 37 dwellings on land off Sunny View, White Lee, Batley.

My objection is primarily based on serious concerns regarding the adequacy of the surface water drainage strategy outlined in the submitted Flood Risk Assessment (Issue 4, dated 05/02/2026).

The current proposal indicates that the majority of surface water from the site will be discharged into the public foul sewer at a restricted rate. This approach is concerning for several reasons:

The drainage strategy relies on outdated guidance from 2017, which appears to have been misinterpreted and applied beyond its intended scope.

The use of foul sewers for surface water disposal is inappropriate and raises concerns about potential overloading of the existing sewer network.

The report itself acknowledges that soakaways are not viable and that the site is not near a watercourse, yet fails to properly explore or justify alternative sustainable drainage solutions.

It is particularly concerning that the surface water management strategy has not been robustly developed, despite there being a potentially more suitable alternative available. Specifically, the opportunity to discharge surface water to a separate system located at the north-western corner of the site, potentially via pumping, has not been properly considered.

This omission suggests that the current proposal does not represent best practice in drainage design and may pose a risk to local infrastructure and environmental safety.

Given these unresolved and significant concerns, I believe the application, in its current form, is unsound and should not be approved until a comprehensive and acceptable drainage solution is provided.

For these reasons, I strongly urge Kirklees Council to refuse planning permission for this application.