

About the application

Application number: 2026/91494	
What is the application for?:	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED. Outline application for erection of residential
Address of the site or building:	Land off, Penistone Road, Birdsedge, Huddersfield, HD8 8XP
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes

I object to the proposed plans for the housing development for the following reasons:

The development would spoil the rural nature of Birds Edge, its peaceful and quiet ambience. Most residents enjoy the rural surroundings and quiet life and do not want this spoiled by building so many houses. Birds Edge presently has 150 houses and building another 70 means an increase of nearly 50% which is well above national accepted norms.

The development is in a Green Belt area and should not be used for residential or commercial developments, additionally it has not been registered on Kirklees future development plans. The proposed development would result in the permanent loss of undeveloped countryside which is contrary to the principle of sustainable development and protection as set out in planning policy.

The ancient land is home to an established and diverse range of wild animals (Badgers, Foxes, Deer, Amphibians and Bats), trees and fauna and it would be detrimental to their habit to develop the adjoining site. The impact of building noise, polluted/brown water runoff and atmospheric pollution would have a severe detrimental effect on this ancient ecology.

Currently the village infrastructure is struggling to meet the demands of its existing residents and would not be able to cope with the extra demand imposed by the addition of such a large development. The electrical supply already suffers with voltage drop during high demand periods, water supply pressure in some parts of the village is extremely low and wastewater system barely copes with the transport of sewage and brown water. All this would be worsened by the demand from this development.

The volume of traffic and HGV's on Penistone Road is already high and adding to it by new residents travelling at peak times will make conditions unsafe, increase accidents, pollution and noise pollution. Smaller roads that adjoin Penistone Road are not capable of accommodating this increase safely with many having poor visibility.

We understand that a percentage of the proposed build is for social housing, since there is very little employment, shops and school places available in the area then these residents will have to rely on their own or public transport to reach work and facilities. Public transport is sparse in our area and the new residents would have to use on their own cars adding to carbon footprint which is against current national policies, better to build in an area that has these facilities.