

About the application

Application number: 2026/62/92047/W	
What is the application for?:	Erection of 10 dwellings with access from Netherley Drive and associated works i
Address of the site or building:	land off, Netherley Drive, Marsden, Huddersfield, HD7 6HL
Postcode:	

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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I wish to object to this substantial development on the grounds of:

- (1) transport congestion,
- (2) drainage,
- (3) biodiversity loss
- (4) dark skies and light bleed.

- The most significant problem with this development is the additional transport burden on the Mount Road locality, which already suffers from extensive bottlenecks, pavement parking, poor visibility for drivers and related difficulties for the passage of the 184 Oldham to Huddersfield bus route which uses the road twice an hour (as well as Access Buses and Weekly Refuse collections). The prospect of additional traffic swelling the pinch point junction of Netherley Drive is therefore a concern from the point of view of safety to road users including cyclists and pedestrians.

- The impact of such a substantial amount of concrete on an already fragile drainage and soil system on the side of Pule Hill poses additional risks of flooding and impact upon properties and infrastructure as well as significant erosion of important binding vegetation that acts as a natural barrier. The Government's Climate Change Commission has warned about the frequency of extreme weather events, and a projection for increased rainfall over the course of autumn and winter in the decades to come. This development is therefore ill advised in terms of its positioning and potential for exacerbating rapid run off.

- This is adjacent to Green Belt land and itself provides a valuable contribution to local biodiversity, and is home to many species of insects, plants, bird life and small rodents, all of which are seeing national decline due to continued urban expansion and climate breakdown. Building upon this site will have a wider effect than just the loss of those species inhabiting or using the designated area for housing.

- Dark skies and light bleed. Many of the houses on the outskirts of Marsden with significant elevation impact disproportionately on the visibility of the night sky (and probably the biorhythms of nesting birds including raptors) through use of security lights, patio flood lights and decorative lighting. This development is highly likely to add to these existing problems, further reducing the enjoyment of the night sky for residents.