

**Consultation Response from KC,
Highways Development Management****2026/92089 north of, 5, Field Head Farm Court, Shepley, Huddersfield, HD8 8FH****Erection of single storey detached dwelling and associated access****Date Responded: 3 September 2026****Responding Officer: Sheila Henley****Responding Ref: 12-40/6****Recommendation: No Objection.**

Plan ref: 26/1360/03c - Proposed Block Plan.

The proposal is for a two bedroomed dwelling to be served from Field Head Farm Court with a permeable surfacing for pedestrian and vehicle shared use driveway, parking for two cars, and turning point, plus an electric vehicle charging point, bin storage and collection point and domestic misting system for fire prevention.

The proposal scores low on the DfT's Connectivity Tool. Yet, it is accessible being within 400m of bus stops with a regular Monday to Saturday bus service and within an 800m reasonable walkable distance of the railway station and other local services and facilities with Shepley.

An electric vehicle charging point is to be provided to support policy LP21 and LP24 to encourage sustainable travel and lowering of emissions.

Cycle parking storage is desirable to accommodate one space per dwelling or preferable at one space per bedroom to meet later guidance in LTN 1/20 and policy LP22. It would, also, support policy LP21 and the Kirklees Highway Design Guide SPD to further encourage sustainable travel and mode choice and reinforce Active Travel objectives.

Access is to be taken from the unadopted Field Head Farm Court with the setback by 6.0m of the existing gated entrance that serves as a secondary access for No. 5 to enable vehicles to pull off the street reducing the risk of obstruction. Access for No 5 is to be retained.

Beyond the gate there is to be a porous, heavy duty grass mat driveway of c3.7m width extending some 70m northwards towards a parking and turning area where there is ample space for shared use by pedestrians and vehicles, and for at least two cars to park and manoeuvre. The amount of car parking at two spaces would meet the advice in the KHDG SPD for two-bedroomed dwellings as well as policy LP22 with the intended layout offering flexibility including space for visitors. Parking for No.5 would be retained.

There is space for bin storage, and the pull distance is excessive but is acknowledged as the be preferred arrangement by the Applicants. The bin collection point may require repositioning. The BCP for Field Head Farm Court is understood to be nearer the adopted road at Field Head on the southern side of the street. Waste Services can confirm.

A proposed domestic misting system would negate the need for fire and rescue appliance to get within 45m of the dwelling entrances, although the driveway width is suitable.

The proposal does not give rise to severe adverse impacts for capacity, congestion and cumulative impacts on the transport network, or an unacceptable impact on highway safety to meet policy LP21. An additional dwelling is unlikely to cause significant increase in movements, and the setback of the gate would reduce the obstruction risk from drivers waiting on the existing street to enter and exit.

Accordingly, the proposal is acceptable in highway terms for no objection to be raised. The Applicant is advised to consider cycle parking storage to improve the sustainable travel offer and clarify the position the bin collection point with Waste Services.