

Address: 6, New Popplewell Lane, Cleckheaton, BD19 6NN

About the application

Application number: 2026/92200	
What is the application for?:	Formation of two outdoor padel courts and associated works
Address of the site or building:	Scholes Cricket And Athletic Club, New Popplewell Lane, Scholes, Cleckheaton, BD19 6NN
Postcode:	BD19 6NN

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	No

I wish to formally object to the proposed construction of a padel court in such close proximity to my property for a number of reasons.

My primary concern is noise pollution. Padel is an inherently noisy sport, involving the frequent impact of balls against rackets and glass walls. Unlike many outdoor recreational activities, the nature of the game generates continuous and repetitive noise. In my opinion, this type of facility is more suited to an indoor venue or a commercial/sports complex setting rather than a residential environment where it would be visible and audible from neighbouring homes.

While the cricket club has been part of the community for many years and does generate some noise, this is generally limited to weekends and occurs during reasonable daytime hours. The proposed padel court would introduce a very different level of activity, with the potential for noise throughout the day and into the evening. I am also extremely concerned about the increase in traffic, vehicle noise, and pollution that the development would bring to the area. The proposed opening hours are, in my view, wholly inappropriate for a small residential village. The prospect of players arriving from early morning and departing late at night would significantly impact the peaceful nature of the local community.

My property directly overlooks the cricket club and would also overlook the proposed court. I, and I believe many of my neighbours, do not wish to be disturbed by vehicles arriving before 6:00 am, particularly if they are driving over gravel surfaces, followed by the noise of games taking place outdoors. Equally concerning is the possibility of activity continuing until 11:00 pm, with associated noise from both play and vehicle movements.

I work from home on a full-time basis and regularly have my windows open throughout the day. The introduction of a padel court in such close proximity would have a significant adverse effect on my working environment, concentration, and overall quality of life. Furthermore, the potential for early morning and late evening noise raises serious concerns regarding sleep disturbance and the impact on residents' wellbeing.

Parking is already very tight and difficult to navigate on the street once the cricket club car park is busy or an event is on now this is being proposed 7 days a week I have no driveway at my house so would be literally fighting for a spot on the street every time I leave the house 7 days a week.

In summary, I believe this proposal is wholly unsuitable for a residential setting and would result in unacceptable levels of noise, increased traffic, loss of amenity, and a significant reduction in the quality of life for neighbouring residents. I respectfully ask that these concerns be carefully considered and that the application be refused.