

I wish to strongly object to plan Planning number 2021/62/92603/E

Question ? – Why is this land not designated for a more greener sustainable use that benefits the whole area of Kirklees and surrounding towns and villages, even if we followed the actual Local plan it was deemed for manufacturing use not warehousing , Is this actually legal to change Local Policy plans ?

Instead Kirklees are aiming for the opposite , take a green space and change it to a fume laden , noise laden light polluting monstrous warehouse , who only positives are 1500 jobs that might not ACTUALLY appear . And the potential 1500 jobs will not be local jobs as it seemed the proposal has included 900 car parking spaces so is no doubt expecting their employees to travel from further afield as opposed to walking and cycling distance . Albeit there is a cycle route adjacent !!!!!

Kirklees Local Plan Policy

- ***Avoiding allocating land where possible in the areas at highest risk of flooding – this site being concreted will cause more flooding , only last week chain bar roundabout flooded whilst the site was still a FIELD absorbing a lot of the water. What will happen when it's a field of concrete .***
- ***Strengthen the role of town centres – If Kirklees want to strengthen the town centres, small business cant compete with large billion pound US corporations , we need to make things taht are accessible on the internet accessible in our towns . We don't need fumes, congestion, broken roads from excessive traffic making people stay away from towns centers***
- ***Promote the re-use of existing buildings and the use of brownfield land to meet development- If IC an only ask if this is a truly a KIRKLESS policy then why even look at this proposal in a field in a village !!!!***
- ***Noise and air quality issues associated with motorway around Cleckheaton, Birkenshaw, Gomersal, Birstall and Oakenshaw. Again if this is Kirklees policy and you already know there is noise and air quality issues around Cleckheaton , Why would you introduce MORE noise and air quality issues***

Kirklees Policy LP33 Trees – The warehouse will demolish 60 ACRES of wildlife habitat , numerous trees , trees with TPO . What is the mitigation for these ? a small strip bund area surrounding the 64,521sq m building (but this does not include the area to be flattened outside the building for car park and HGV parking) , This small bund are is also supposed to reduce the visual impact of the monstrosity. The planned proposal (ISG & Amazon) obviously agree it's a monstrosity that does not fit in the surrounding area easily else why would they try hide it with trees?

These trees that are meant to hide the monstrosity which stand 23m-26m high (85 feet) will take at least 30 years to get to a height that are any use to the natural habitat and reducing anyones vision of the grey cladde warehouse .

NPPF states plans “should ‘promote the conservation, restoration and re-creation of priority habitats, ecological networks and the protection and recovery of priority species; and identify and pursue opportunities for securing measurable net gains for biodiversity’.” The suggestion to mitigate this impact through an ‘offsite compensation scheme’ is not acceptable.

Kirklees Local Plan - Policy LP52 Protection and improvement of environmental quality.

Not sure how this new development is improving the existing environment – HOW ? WHERE ? I can see how the proposal does the opposite, increased noise must be a definite with increased traffic and HGV engines. Increased light pollution from 24 hour lit up operation, vibration on roads from constant traffic and vibration in the area from HGV and car engines .

Kirklees Masterplan h. measures to mitigate the traffic impacts of the proposed development on the strategic and local road networks;

LP21 Highways and accesswhere the residual cumulative impacts of development are not severe. on highway safety, air quality, noise and light restrictions;

I think there will be residual cumulative impacts that are INDEED severe with a couple thousand HGV movement daily based on the forecast from ISG 2335 if you believe there model ! but why would you need 90 loading bays and parking for 200 HGV if you intended 550 HGV movements per day (albeit 550 is still ridiculous amount of traffic , noise and fumes) I think these loading bays, HGV parking normal HGV turnaround need more questioning by the Council planners to get a real picture of the movements . If there were 550 HGV movements at a 24 hour operation using 90 loading bays . ISG are saying 1 in 1 out so 225 being loaded and arriving/leaving in 24 hours , but there is 90 bays so if they all were loaded simultaneously ISG are saying it takes appx 9 hours to load a lorry . I don’t think this is very accurate

- 5.8 The shift patterns which the intended occupier will operate will result in workers leaving the site between 0500-0600, arriving at the site between 0700-0800 and a full shift changeover between 1800-1900. Therefore, these are the peak hours of the end user. However, it is only considered necessary to examine the peak period trip attraction given that this is when traffic will be highest on the local and strategic highway network. This is consistent with the approach undertaken on similar schemes and accepted. Combined with the forecast operational traffic (HGVs), the anticipated trip attraction of the intended occupier is presented in **Table 5.2**.

Table 5.2 – Intended Occupier Forecast Vehicle Trip Attraction (Census Modal Split)

	Cars			HGVs			Total		
	Arr.	Dep.	Two-way	Arr.	Dep.	Two-way	Arr.	Dep.	Two-way
0700-0800	440	0	440	13	5	18	453	5	458
0800-0900	0	0	0	11	9	20	11	9	20
0900-1000	0	0	0	16	13	29	16	13	29
1600-1700	0	0	0	8	18	26	8	18	26
1700-1800	0	0	0	13	20	33	13	20	33
1800-1900	440	440	881	9	20	29	449	460	910
Daily	880	880	1,761	215	335	550	1,108	1,228	2,335

Kirklees Masterplan - Policy LP5 Masterplans must involve all the relevant stakeholders, including the council, landowners, developers, the local community, service providers and other interested parties.

This proposal has been kept under wraps between the Kirklees council ISG and Amazon for months and possibly years . The residents did not find out about the plan until the 11th hour with a flyer with very little information on that was distributed to a few houses of which mine was NOT one although I am less than .25 mile from the proposed development. They then had a very limited time of a couple of months to dispute and fight this proposal – spurious in the very least .

Kirklees Masterplan - Masterplans will be expected to achieve the following (proportionate to the scale of development): a

At what point is this planned 23m high 60 ACRE site respecting the character of the landscape, heritage, adjacent and nearby settlements and built development, reflecting the urban to rural transition . This is a semi rural area this building belongs in an industrial park ,NOT in a village next to a cemetery . this is absolutely **disrespecting** all the characteristics of the surrounding area

Kirklees Masterplan - c. make effective use of the site through the application of appropriate densities in terms of scale, height and massing, and its relationship to adjoining buildings and landscape; d. create a strong sense of place, ensuring the proposed development makes a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness;

REALLY ! in terms of scale its ridiculous size is bigger than our entire village , a grey clad building has no relationship with ancient buildings in it vicinity , ancient trees , heritage trails . Im not sure who on the planning committee would consider this warehouse as having a strong sense of place and makes a positive contribution to Scholes . It might have a strong sense of place at the edge of a motorway or in an industrial park or on brown belt

What jobs !! 1500 are mentioned where are the details ? where is the evidence these would be local , where is the proof these will still be viable jobs in a year . If Kirklees council has to increase jobs perhaps it needs to look at skilled or semi skilled , smaller businesses that will continue to grow . Not large corporations that reduce headcount as often as possible with a large staff turnover, especially one as sophisticate as Amazon that will be aiming for zero workforce and full automation .

Kirklees Local Plan Policy LP51 Protection and improvement of local air quality 1.

Please explain how this warehouse will improve our air quality ? it's a simple question . I know the answer as to why it wont improve it but will destroy our air quality is the 000s of HGV and Car movement , the forklift movements the destruction of open greenbelt m, the increase in congestion

and cars HGV stood with engines running , ALAS I cannot see how there is an improvement as per Kirklees Air Quality Management program . or is Kirklees abandoning this policy besides the Local Plan !

Kirklees Local Plan - Policy LP24 Design Good design should be at the core of all proposals all development respects and enhances the character of the townscape – BUT DOES IT THOUGH.... I DON'T THINK IT DOES , heritage assets – NOR THIS and landscape – NOR THIS

b. they provide a high standard of amenity for future and neighbouring occupiers; including maintaining appropriate distances between buildings and the creation of development-free buffer zones between housing and employment uses – I ASSUME BY APPROPRIATE DISTANCE KIRKLEESS MEANS A ROADS WIDTH !!!

Kirklees Local Plan -Policy LP47 Healthy, active and safe lifestyles...., f. supporting energy efficient design and location of development; g. ensuring that the current air quality in the district is monitored

Promote development that helps to reduce and mitigate climate change, and development which is adapted so that the potential impact from climate change is reduced and to help the transition towards a low carbon economy.

I am NOT entirely sure Kirklees even read their own policies – how does even 1 extra HGV and Car reduce climate change !!! never mind hundreds . Does the 24 hour lighting use energy efficient bulbs is tat ISG contribution to the impact on climate change , are all their HGV Electric perhaps to reduce noise and fumes , although electric vehicle would not reduce the increased congestion so yet again we fail at the first hurdle . Even if you shift the entrance to just the A58 the movement of traffic will always try to find the quickest route which will no doubt be through branch road Scholes, whitechapel road and Cleckheaton if they find the A58 congested which they undoubtedly will

Kirklees Local Plan - Policy LP26 Renewable and low carbon energy Renewable and low carbon energy

Why are Kirklees seeking out these types of proposals, instead of your colleagues looking at quick cheap unsustainable ways of getting in revenue – why aren't Kirklees offering up this land for a solar farm or to grow veg or something more suitable in a small village .

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