

Building works of this scale on what was Green belt land will have an enormous environmental impact. Not only will air pollution increase during the building phase but noise pollution will also blight the lives of local residents. In the long term, the levels of air pollution in this area will continue to rise as the massive increase in the number of houses will also bring more traffic to the area and local roads. The new road will serve the new development but the surrounding areas of Higham and Barugh Green will also see an increase in traffic on their already busy roads posing safety hazards to both pedestrians and drivers. While building work is being carried out the residents of Welland court and surrounding areas will no longer be able to enjoy their gardens as there will be increased dust and pollutants in the air. (In addition to the increased noise) The local walks we have all enjoyed will be destroyed as the footpaths and rights of way through the fields will be no more. Our children will not be able to walk through open fields and enjoy the fresh air that is on their doorstep, rather they will be faced with a building site for several years to come. What measures have been put in place to preserve as much green space as possible? The health of children in Barnsley is already worse than other areas of the country. Do we need to pollute the air around them any more than it is already?