

Are the council hell bent on destroying our local environment by not standing up to this type of insane development with the Barnsley area.

Objections to the proposed development

1. Environment

- How does the plan fit in with the Governments Green Future, 25 year plan to improve the environment by developing on green belt land.
- Damaging the local environment.
- Loss of local farm land.
- Air quality – residents of Higham already suffer from high levels of air pollution due to its close proximity to the M1 motorway, the proposed development will increase these to untenable levels.
- Impact on the areas wildlife habitat.
- Additional pollution.

2. Road infrastructure

- Removal of Hermit Lane, this is a major route for local residents to access town and bypass the bottle neck at the Claycliffe Roundabout.
- The South part of Higham Common Road from the Whinby Road roundabout to the new proposed Southern Roundabout is not fit for additional traffic caused by the Residential Phase. The Phase 2 Employment phase is just not workable with regards vehicle access to the site by the southern route.

3. Primary School Proposal

- Where are the children from the initial proposed 229, or the number they actually cram in, then dwellings going to be initially educated before the opening of the school, local schools are heavily oversubscribed.

4. Public Footpaths

- A number of local footpaths across the proposed sites appear to have been deleted. i.e. the one which runs behind Tamar Close and

Haylock Close which crosses Avon Close then appears to go into a proposed garden on the Phase 1 Residential Site?

- The footpath with runs of Hermit Lane has disappeared along with Hermit Lane.

5. Affordable Housing

- What is the total percentage if approved are of affordable homes in Residential Phase, also of the initial first 229 how many will there be, there costs and eligibility for local residents also.

6. Employment Phase

- The is considerable development at junction 36 currently taking place which is much more suited for this, with the economic climate any further development in the Barnsley area it will become difficult to attract developers. The development at Capitol Park has never been fully developed in the 10 years since it was opened, currently there is not the business demand in the area for further business development.

Please could someone address theses points as no one contacted myself from the initial consultation process.