

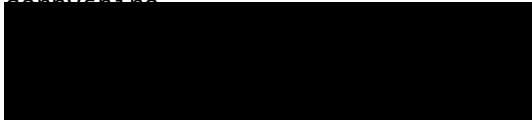
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Submission: Objection

Comments: I object to the above planning application on the following grounds;

1. The application takes little heed of the Midshires Way, a well known long distance footpath and also the " entrance to the goyt valley "
2. The proposed development is far too big and too close to the Peak National Park and will be very visible from local landmarks from within the park Ladder Hill, Kinder Scout, Taxal Edge, to name but a few.
3. Facilities for pedestrians along sections of Macclesfield Road are slight to say the least and non-existent in places making life extremely difficult for those without their own transport, especially the young, the elderly and those with disabilities.
4. Whaley Bridge has just one road through the village, traffic is already intolerable for the residents of the main street at times and this will make matters worse.
5. The developer seems to think that a contribution to education will be sufficient, which in itself is all that may be required ,but, WHERE will the children go to school ?
6. If 30% of the properties are to be " affordable " then these houses are aimed at younger first time buyers, just the age group that produce more children. So, AGAIN, WHERE will they go to school ?
7. This number of houses cannot be filled by local buyers there just isn't the demand (houses in Whaley Bridge take longer than the national average to sell) which means people out of the area will be needed to fill them which in turn adds to the daily commute on inadequate public transport and over congested roads, NOT VERY GREEN THINKING.
8. Compared to the number of properties being proposed the opportunities for local employment are virtually nil, every vacancy would be filled twenty times over.
9. Available brownfield sites should be re-used, before greenfield, this site is farmland and farms produce food if you continue to build on farmland how do you produce more food on less land ?

10. We are told, support your local food producers and local markets as this is better for the environment than transporting food from all over the world to supermarkets. Not much hope of that if you build on local farmland.

11. This proposed development is not in the interests of Whaley Bridge as it does not solve any of the towns problems it only adds to them.

12. Who does it benefit ? The Landowner and The Developer, not enough in my view.Plus The Council to hit a government target, this is typical government one size fits all policy, well it doesn't. So stand up to it. This is an area of natural beauty with a National Park and the National Park has a zero development policy, so does that make it right to develop and build on land right up to the boundary ? Of course not.

So please reject this proposal.

Thank you