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Submission: Objection

Comments: Consultation on Planning Application HPK/2021/0044; Land off Dolly Wood Close, Buxworth.

In the absence of information to the contrary, I have one objection to the proposed development at the end of Dolly Wood Close.

In broad terms, it involves the health and safety of residents on the Close.

In particular, and together with the elderly, it involves the health and safety of the pre-school and school-aged children who live here.

Dolly Wood Close is usually packed with parked cars.

Heavy traffic, to and from the proposed site, will inevitably give rise to congestion; lines of sight will be restricted and any increase in ambient noise may well mask the sound of an approaching vehicle.

Under such circumstances, the children will obviously be at greater risk than they are now.

Under such circumstances, parents will naturally take more steps to protect their children.

Even so, I frequently see the older youngsters racing down the Close on their way to catch the school bus and, for some of them, you can guarantee that the need to not be late will override good road sense.

As for the younger children, most of them play, run or cycle up and down the Close.

They've done it for decades and, once again, you can guarantee that a few of them will, momentarily, escape the notice of the most vigilant of parents.

And then, of course, there is the site itself. For safety's sake, it needs to be fenced off, but I saw no mention of such provision online.

Failing the provision of child-proof safety measures - and of clear-cut advice for parents/grandparents - my objection to the proposed development will stand.

I'm aware of the fact that the duties of care, assigned to Local Authorities, are a grey area.

Having said that, all children have a fundamental right to protection - and that is not a grey area.

Regards,

John Santry

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