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Comments: RE: HPK/2022/0456

I would like to object to the above proposed planning application at Adderley Fields.

My objections are as follows:

1. The plans represent loss of key green space in the local community. Green space is increasingly recognised as having a positive impact on people's mental health and academic studies have shown that green spaces can lower levels of stress, reduce rates of depression and anxiety, and reduce cortisol levels (this is the opposite impact of pollution, and particulate pollution in particular, see 2 below). As well as citizens' mental health, this area remains an important habitat for wildlife and biodiversity and must be maintained. I have observed various species of owls and other birds of prey, as well as foxes, deer, and other important fauna. The area also represents a carbon sink and continued development surely represents a threat to the Council's sustainability aims.
2. The proposals would clearly lead to increased traffic, leading to a more congestion, pollution, and higher risks to cyclists and pedestrians (particularly school children). four concerns stand out:
 - a. The proposed access to the A57 will lead to significantly increased congestion, especially during school drop off/pick up times when the A57 already faces double parking and at which time primary and secondary school pupils are walking to school, with the associated impact of pollution on young lungs and safety crossing the proposed access.
 - b. Delays turning onto the A57 of the access road will lead to residents seeking to use the existing outlet on to Simmondley Lane, again leading higher risks to pedestrians and cyclists, and school children in particular.
 - c. The increase in pollution and risk would likely lead to an decrease in pedestrians and cyclists which is clearly in opposition to the Borough's plan (Active High Peak Strategy document online version). It is particularly noted that the document states that "Insufficient children and young people are developing a physical activity habit from an early age; it disincentivising walking/cycling to the respective local schools with over 2,000 pupils in total (Glossopdale, St Philip Howard, Dinting, and Simmondley) does not in any way support children developing positive physical habits. Furthermore, the document also notes that Glossop and Hadfield/Gamesley are areas of High Peak where residents experience poorer than average health outcomes, which could be alleviated by living more active lives.
 - d. The development has a significantly negative impact on the Borough's Climate Change Action Plan: Towards Carbon Neutrality. 2030 Climate Change Plan 2021-22 (part 1) (highpeak.gov.uk), and specifically the following objectives:
 - i. The way we travel: such as increasing sustainable travel and development, including encouraging people to make journeys by walking or cycling;

ii. The way we look after our environment: including by increasing tree cover and improving nature, reduce the risk of flooding, and working in partnership with our communities;

iii. The way we help change occur: e.g., considering climate change in all decisions and policies (including planning).

3. This development, along with others planned in the local area, represent an unsustainable impact on local services and infrastructure, schools are already fully subscribed while dental and NHS services under increased pressure. Physical infrastructure, such as drainage, will also be at risk, this issue in particular development represents another loss of drainage land and will likely increase flooding along the A57 (and is, therefore, in opposition to 22.d.ii above).

4. Finally, the plans make no provision for affordable housing which is contrary to the Council's local plan proposal for the site to include 30% in this category.

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