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Site Address: Land to the west of Bridgemont Whaley Bridge Derbyshire SK23 7PB

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Submission: Objection

Comments: To Whom it may Concern

Re - Application - HPK/2023/0061

I write to strongly oppose the application detailed above in Bridgemont which was rejected last year due to it being listed as green belt land and we were advised wouldn't be allowed to go through until at least 2031. When there's plenty of Brown belt areas to build on with affordable housing

There are lots of reasons why this development should be refused.

We have recently had an addition of houses in this small hamlet and as such the parking issues have increased. There is a play park at the end of the street and the increase of traffic and cars parked provide a hazard to this. I have lived in this street for over 33 years and the parking is the worst i have ever seen.

There have been a number of affordable homes just built on the recent development so in such a small hamlet surely there is no need for any more and there must be more suitable areas that are on brown belt land and not green belt. And comparable with the overall size of town/village.

The application was refused late year due to it being green belt land and that it would destroy this small hamlet forever - the scale of the development is just not suitable for the size of the hamlet. The refusal last year already stated that much smaller scale developments have been refused as its green belt land so how could something this large be considered for proposal??

Also this proposal is even bigger with 4 more houses than originally refused last year.

The major issue must be the access - as there is such a small narrow piece of land creating issues not only for the building of these house but the drainage.

The impact of construction on the railway line in Whaley bridge where the contractors have had to gain access

for their machinery has already dug up our grass verges, created damage to the mission walls which has stood there for well over 100 years and blocked drives etc.... so surely this would make things worse.

It is so close to a major roundabout coming off a dual carriageway which constantly sees speeding cars, it is also close to the junction which is hazardous of a major supermarket and I don't see how the access can be gained safely to the residents of the hamlet.

There have been trees felled without permission already and cant see how the development can be built without further destruction to wildlife inhabiting that area and more trees being cut down. The houses would surely suffer road noise and rail noise being so close to the Whaley bridge road and the railway line. These areas of green belt land must be protected otherwise we will end up with no green space/wildlife at all.

But the most severe concern is the drainage - you have a railway line and very little space to the existing houses - they will surely be so close to the existing houses on the cul de sac and where will the run off go? as the development will be in an unavoidable elevated position - currently permeable surfaces will be changed to hard standing ones and that will cause flooding which we have already experienced in previous years due to issues with out of date drains, sewerage systems. Water drains off the hills as it is and is absorbed by the land but it will have no where to go if this development is built causing havoc on existing properties.

With the drainage, noise and access issues a major concern - and with already having a number of affordable homes built in the last year - surely we need to find an alternative site and again refuse these even bigger plans which were unanimously refused last year

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