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Submission: Objection

Comments: Objections to creating 116 2, 3, and 4 bedroom houses, planning application HPK/2023/0192 are based on the following.

Overdevelopment of Buxton with no sign or plans for supporting infrastructure, increasing pressure on existing services - schools, doctors, dentists for example.

Increase in pollution and further traffic congestion. Demise of even more wildlife habitat and species diversity - this is not a sentimental concern.

It also has implications for the Council's response to 'climate emergency' (2019).

A key flood risk area lies below this development, an area which is known to HPBC and DCC and the EA, and known to have had significant flooding problems for residents and businesses, the last one of which on 31 July 2019 resulted in a report by Richard Ward, produced in August 2020 (DCC). The recommendations of the said report stated that grant funding had been obtained to implement NFRM solutions in the upper reaches of Hogshaw Brook. On enquiring about whether this had been undertaken to a local councillor - no. The increased run off of water that will be created by replacing fields and trees with foundations, bricks and mortar will undoubtedly put pressure on watercourses which already struggle massively in the area to deal with the volume of rain and run off, especially in the event of flash flooding which is becoming a more frequent event. Residents and businesses in the area at risk have not been involved in any preliminary consultation, an opportunity that has been offered, I am told, to those living near the proposed site. It did not go unnoticed that the railway sidings construction was not seen as putting any pressure on watercourses - until 2019 when a printed quote stated it probably had.

The Local Authority has a responsibility to ensure that no further pressure is put on existing flood prone areas.

