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Sent: 16 June 2026 16:50
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Subject: Planning Application Comments - 38541 FS-Case-848435625

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Planning Application Reference No.: 38541

Address of Development: Hammond ground

Comments: Perm loss of parkland. Infrastructure already under immense pressure. Harm to historic landscape. 50 rejected now 77 more harm. Area already at capacity traffic is dangerous.

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I wish register my objection to the above proposal to build on Hammond Ground in Read.

As with the majority of people in the living in Read and Simonstone I've objected to this application is the past but it seems that yet again we are faced with another threat to our villages. There are numerous reasons outlined in documents issued by residents for this proposal being rejected, not least the road through the villages being used

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Planning Application Reference No.: 38441 3/2026/0356

Address of Development: Hammond Ground, Read

Comments: I object to the application to build 77 homes on Hammond ground:

- Permanent loss of the historic parkland character of Hammond Ground.
- Serious damage to the attractive countryside setting of Read village.
- Urbanisation of an important open landscape.
- Harm to the historic landscape associated with Read Hall.
- A larger scheme of 77 houses would create even greater harm than the 50-house scheme rejected by the Secretary of States Planning Inspector in 2018.
- The proposed community open space is only included to make the overall plan more acceptable and would be used as a stepping stone to further development.
- Infrastructure is already under pressure – traffic, school capacity, healthcare

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Planning Application Reference No.: 38441

Address of Development: Hammond Ground read

Comments: this deveolpment will damange the historic grounds of read hall the loss of open countryside and historic parkland there is infastructure in read for more houses and will put undue presure on schools and local ammenities increasded road tgraffic which raises safety concerns and will impact on the village charchter snd identity this development should not go ahead

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0356

Address of Development: Land at Hammond Ground, Whalley Rd, Read ,BB12 7RP

Comments: I wish to strongly object to this proposed development on the following grounds. This scheme would lead to a loss of the historic parkland character of Hammond Ground and would be of great harm to the historic landscape which is associated with Read Hall. This would be another nail in the coffin of wildlife and biodiversity. It would completely change both the identity and character of the village to its detriment with this greater urbanisation.

Traffic through the village on the main road is already unacceptable. This development of 77 houses would add to the problem. You are talking of around an extra 150 cars trying to access the very busy main road. This is an accident in waiting. Everyone believes that if this application is accepted then it will not be long before the developers come back for more. We all remember the application for 700 houses! The village infrastructure could not cope with increased urbanisation, traffic, school capacity and increased pollution. The construction traffic will be a nightmare given access via the main road. Are we going to see traffic lights as per the development at Whalley. Where is the water and sewage infrastructure to cope with increased housing. We have heard developer promises before on increasing infrastructure and they rarely happen.

The development places great stress on an area of "public open space", What exactly does this mean? Is this public space protected in perpetuity or is it just not built on yet? Back to my comment on the 700 houses application above. This application will not be a temporary disruption but permanently change the very essence of the life of the village.

Previous proposals for Hammond Ground were rejected, including by a Government Planning Inspector in 2018. It was stated by the Inspector that development would cause "significant harm to the character and appearance of the countryside". In a recent George Lane planning decision, Ribble Valley Council referred to protecting "the special characteristics of Hammond Ground for future generations". SO what has changed?

This is the wrong development in the wrong place in a location already judged as unsuitable.

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0356

Address of Development: Hammond view

Comments: The approval of this development would be a catastrophic decision for Read and Simonstone. The traffic through the village is already unmanageable and unsafe. Additional housing will have further negative impacts. There is also not enough facilities and schooling for an additional 70 houses. Simonstone school [REDACTED] had an over 70 applicants for a 20 capacity class. Adding more housing to the area would be an incredibly poor decision

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Planning Application Reference No.: 38441

Address of Development: Hammond Land, Read

Comments: I am writing to object to the planning application for the housing on Hammond Ground for the following areas:

There is one only road through Read and Simonstone which is constantly congested with traffic, with traffic continuously from 0600 - 2000 but is continuously used 24/7. We constantly have to do with gridlocks both ways at peak times, with lots of cars, tractor and heavy vehicles pumping out exhaust fumes outside my home. The additional 77 houses, with additional cars usually at least 2 per household, together with deliveries to all these new houses would further increase the amount of traffic. This does not take into account the substantial building work vehicles and heavy machinery which was grind the village to a halt for a considerable length of time.

It is unnecessary to consider building on current green field sites when there are many brownfield site that could be better utilised.

There has been other housing developments that have taken place already in Read and surrounding areas with these still awaiting final infrastructures to be finished. How could any guarantees that Read would not fall foul of anything similar.

Serious harm to attractive countryside and impact of numerous differing wildlife, i have seen Deers, rabbits and lots of species of birds within this area, these are currently inhabiting this land peacefully and offering much to the area.

The infrastructures already in Read and Simonstone are severely stretched or lacking so for any additional housing, would further invoke pressure on the 2 schools which are already at a maximum, there are currently no GP facilities for existing residents, no police services as such.

There is nothing for any young people that may move into the area to do which may cause concerns with existing residents if they are hanging around the streets.

The area has limited access to open space and this would limit this further. Urbanisation of important open landscapes in paramount

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0356

Address of Development: Hammond Ground

Comments: I would like to hereby register my rejection to the planned development given 1) the impact on the rural landscape surrounding the village of Read and 2) the heavy traffic burden it would have on current residents in Read and Simonstone.

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0356

Address of Development: Hammond ground

Comments: The traffic on the main road is far to busy as it is. Building more houses will put more pressure on this road. What about the pressure on the local school and doctors. Also this land is vital for wildlife. Please do not build any houses here. In the past applications have all been rejected . There is a reason for this

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I am writing regarding my concerns for the proposal in building a new housing estate of 77 houses on what is commonly known as Hammond Ground Read.

I moved into the area of Read almost [REDACTED] ago.

The purpose of moving here was for the benefit of the open spaces and a better quality of life due to less pollution. As has been stated with 77 more properties there will be a possibility of 150 new vehicles to the area.

The road through Read cannot cope with the congestion of traffic now and with more vehicles queuing to get off the new estate the quality of air with vehicle fumes will be unbearable.

I will be needing more appointments at the doctors which of course there are none, unless you go to Walley which is at full capacity.

Where are the children from the houses going to school. The schools are not big enough to take on anymore pupils.

Has anybody taken any of these issues into consideration.

There is also the harm to the local landscape and the wild life's habitats in the area.

The reason for this development is to make a profit for the owners of the land who do not live in this area and therefore have no concern for the people of Read.

I would suggest that the council reject the planning permission and keep Read as a country village where people enjoy to live.