

Ribble Valley Borough Council

Clitheroe

6th August 2025

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OBJECTION LETTER TO PLANNING APPLICATION 3/2025/0363

LAND TO THE REAR OF PENDLE STREET EAST, SABDEN, BB7 9EQ

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally object to the above planning application for the proposed development of 19 houses. My objection is based on the inadequate infrastructure within the village to support this scale of development.

1. Insufficient Road Infrastructure and Traffic Management

The existing road network within the village is narrow and frequently experiences congestion, particularly during peak hours. The addition of 19 new homes will significantly increase traffic volume, which the current roads are not equipped to handle safely or efficiently. This could lead to increased congestion, delays, and a heightened risk of accidents, especially given the village's limited pedestrian facilities and lack of traffic calming measures.

2. Overburdened Utilities and Services

The village's utilities—including water supply, sewage, and electricity—are already under strain. An influx of new residents from the proposed development could exceed the capacity of existing systems, potentially leading to service disruptions or the need for costly upgrades. There has been no clear indication that the developers or the council have plans to enhance these essential services in line with the increased demand.

3. Limited Educational and Health Facilities

Local schools and healthcare services are already under strain. Additional families moving into the new development would place further pressure on these facilities, potentially resulting in even longer waiting times, overcrowded classrooms, and reduced quality of service for existing residents.

Conclusion

Given these concerns, I believe the proposed development of 19 houses unsustainable. I urge the planning authority to take these points into careful consideration and to prioritise the long-term wellbeing of the community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours faithfully,

