

About the application

Application number: 2024/91316	
What is the application for?:	Conversion of existing dwelling and outbuilding to create 6 apartments and erect
Address of the site or building:	Clough House, 236, Leeds Road, Birstall, Batley, WF17 0HW
Postcode:	

User comments

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<p>I fully support the new plans for Clough House and the surrounding land, after three years of it being an eyesore improvements will hopefully be done soon. Maybe the owners (who are wholly responsible for allowing the site to deteriorate so badly) will now have a better opportunity to sell, as with planning permission the site will attract developers. The design of the new builds are sympathetic to the main house and will enhance the plot of land. The House is of great value historically and to see it being made into apartments is far better than it being left in its current derelict state. Access at the rear via Moat Hill Farm Drive should not cause undue problems for the residents already living there, (as mentioned by objectors to previous plans), they all have parking spaces on their land, and I believe they don't own the road outside their homes, that is owned by Kirklees so the new homes will be entitled to access a public right of way just as they are. Moreover, it seems obvious when those properties were built that at some point in the future the road would be made a through road, otherwise why was a fence erected across the boundary and not another house put across the end of the cul de sac. There is a shortage of housing locally and the different designs of the proposed ones will help provide new homes for a variety of people. And to have bungalows on the site is good as not many bungalows are built these days so should be welcomed. As for the development as a whole, surely this is better than the derelict state of the house as it is now and the overgrown site, which has attracted anti social behaviour. I feel the new development will be an asset rather than detrimental to surrounding properties and I am happy that an important part of Howden Clough's history is being preserved.</p>	