

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

Type of comment: An objection	
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We welcome the development of Clough House, which has been left by the owners to deteriorate, causing an array of anti-social behaviour being brought to our neighbourhood. However, we strongly object to the planning proposal to utilise Moat Hill Farm Drive as the proposed access for 11 dwellings in the 'northern' cul-de-sac of the Clough House development.

I have lived on Moat Hill Farm Drive since 1989, when the property was first built. It was a lovely quiet cul-de-sac where children could play out safely, but over the years it has become hazardous due to the increase in traffic and the speed at which vehicles are driven at.

We have already had to contend with the noise and disruption while a further 10 properties were built on Moat Hill Farm Drive. These properties are now fully occupied causing even more traffic to the already busy narrow road.

On evenings and weekends, vehicles are double parked, making it barely passable, but more importantly emergency services would find it impossible to access the homes at the top of the cul-de-sac.

Moat Hill Farm Drive is a steep incline, the existing volume of cars parked on the road already exposes car owners to minor crashes in inclement weather (snow/black ice). Any new properties will increase the volume of traffic and subsequently increase the risk of more accidents.

Also, Moat Hill Farm Drive forms part of a busy crossroad, with poor visibility due to the blind summit from Leeds Road potentially creating or materially adding to the safety of road users as the volume of traffic going in, out and across will increase substantially.

In my opinion, I recommend the access should be through Clough Drive which is wider than Moat Hill Farm Drive and is a much shorter and flatter route to the A643, Leeds Road, with far clearer visibility for those accessing/exiting this development?