

[REDACTED]

From: farhat <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 01 April 2026 14:05
To: Planning Comments (SMDC)
Subject: SMD/2026/0099

[REDACTED]

Dear Sir/Madam,

With regards to the above applications for the construction of 7 dwellings along the Farmside Lane on the existing agricultural land, I would like to strongly object to this development for the following reasons:

- 1) The marked area includes some of the land that belongs to the Hockadilla farm and there is space only for 4 houses, not 7. The 3 semi-detached houses nearer to the farm buildings have been shown to be on the land owned by the Hockadilla farm, as on the plans provided to me by the land registry at the time of purchase of this property. I would recommend a survey of the area of the proposed development by a surveyor appointed by the Staffordshire Moorland council for it to be compared to the existing boundaries, as per the land registry.
- 2) I bought the farm because this was in the green belt and no construction would be allowed in this area, as per the advice given to me at the time of auction of the Hockadilla Farm in 2018.
- 3) The proposed development is not an infill. There are farms on both sides of the row of proposed houses.
- 4) This is an area of outstanding natural beauty and the isolated buildings built into the agricultural land will be an eyesore and reduce the value of a large number of properties in the area.
- 5) Planning has been refused for construction of dwellings on this small piece of agricultural land which is geographically and visually seamless with the surrounding fields. Any construction in this piece of land should be permanently barred.
- 6) I also object to the farm being referred as 'former farm' in the application. It fell into disrepair during the time of the previous elderly owners. I am trying to get it back into a working farm - mainly a vegetable and fruit farm. I also plan to have bees if the council allows it. Any construction on the agricultural land will harm the efforts to bring the farm to its former glory.
- 7) This area is rich in wildlife and all the neighbours cherish the countryside and the beauty and the lifestyle it provides. Construction of dwellings at this site will harm this area manifold, as compared to any benefit they might offer.

I am happy to attend any meetings in person, if required.

Kind regards,
Farhat Amir

[REDACTED]
Hockadilla Farm,
Farmside Lane
Biddulph Moor

ST8 7LY