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The plans for Silsden  
Dear Sir/Madam

Looking at the plans and the increase that Silsden as to take 1,200 new homes I list Below my POINTS of why Silsden will struggle to take them

- 1) 1,200 new homes would mean on a average of 2cars per house, going on for 2,400 more vehicles hitting the village/town , plus cars coming in that visit these houses (with family or work people) there could be over 2,500 vehicles, Silsden can not cope at the moment with the volume of Traffic that comes in and out of the place, the first sign of any roadworks going up id Gas , Water , etc and traffic lights are put in place chaos happens with traffic right back to the roundabout and up towards cringles, even without any roadworks at peak times the Main Street is gridlocked, before any new building goes on a BY-PASS which was mentioned in the last unitary plan needs to be done, The traffic is that bad at the moment that I fear for the Emergency Vehicles that come through daily on call outs , some time they really struggle to get through, putting patients life at RISK And something needs doing to control the size of the Wagons that currently struggle to come through causing congestion
- 2) Car Parking ? Where are all these new vehicles going to park in Silsden there is only 2 small car parks now that are always full
- 3) Infrastructure, Besides the Road, the other major infrastructures can't cope with the increase is ) Electricity Northern Power have gone on record to say that if only 100 new houses are built it will have to increase the size of its substation at a cost of over £5 MILLION Yorkshire Water like wise have said that the Aire Valley trunk sewer is at its CAPACITY and would need a upgrade at a big cost
- 4) Schools are at bursting point where are the new children that come into the area going to go
- 5). Silsden as now got no Banks with the closure over the last 3 years of the 2 we had, where are people going to bank, it will be Keighley, Skipton, etc putting more traffic on the roads
- 6) The Health Centre can't cope with the current population in Silsden, we have lived here over 25 years and we have to go to Cross Hills as you can not join here, Same with the Dentist On this point Airedale Hospital struggles with the volume of people that attend now how are they going to manage with not just the new people that will be living in Silsden but with all the extra people coming into the area with all the new plans for more houses in the Keighley, craven and (over the border in Lancashire )that have to come to Airedale , they will struggle with the the thousands that will bring, it's over a 4 hour wait now in A and E, and as for car parking forget it There will be no chance
- 7) There is no Police Station in Silsden which is stupid now for the size of Silsden, never mind the increase ,
- 8) We keep hearing that Silsden is great for commuters with the Railway Station near by, unless you are there by 6-30 to 7-00am you have no chance of parking , (mainly because of the number of people that come from North Yorkshire to get on the Trains because it's cheaper, ) so where are the new commuters going to park,
- 9) Over the last 12 months we have seen new buildings going up in Silsden (ie. Behind the Old Grouse Pub, just above the Buliders Yard, Above the Playing Fields, for example plus other plots of land been taken , and plans are in for over 180 new houses on Belton Road, I HOPE that these are been included in the 1200
- 10) All the. New Houses that go up now a days are the ugly 3 storey type which are a blot on the landscape , People are living longer so we are told so why are there no

