







**The  
Cumberland  
Environmental**  
COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP  
Protecting Green Spaces, Preserving Life

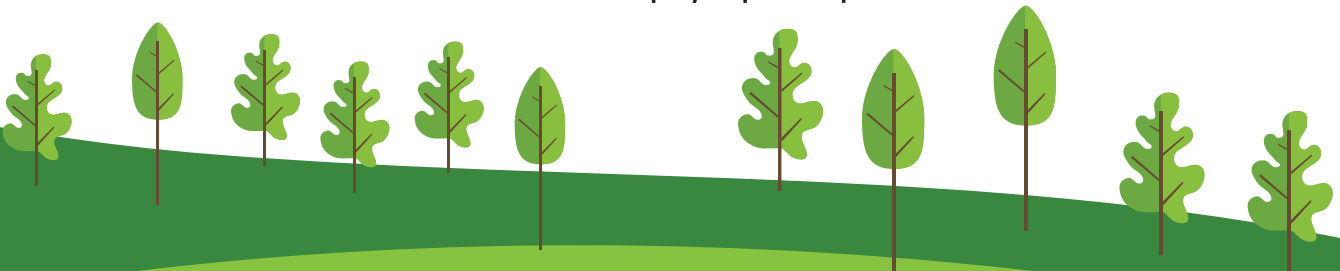
# The Cumberland Environmental Community Action Group

On the 28th of June we held a Community meeting to discuss the potential development of 123 houses by the developer Vivly Living on the Greenbelt field lying between Park Lane and Barnsley Road in Upper Cumberland.

It was agreed that an Action Group should be set up to help residents understand the potential impact of this or any other development. Our aims are:

-  To protect the village and environment, particularly the Ancient Woodland.
-  To understand the possible grounds for objection.
-  Provide the necessary help and support to raise an objection.
-  Provide ongoing support and updates throughout the planning application process.

Our Action group is now up and running. We have a name as stated above, a community not for profit bank account and an official constitution so that we can raise funds, manage the use of funds and employ expert help.



## The current situation

The planning application has not yet been published. As far as we know it has not yet been submitted to the Planning Department for consideration before publication. Objections can only be made once any application has been published. When this happens, we will let everyone know and make sure anyone who wants to object has all the information and help they need to do so.

## How to keep up to date

We will send out more newsletters as we get more information. Whenever possible we will distribute one to local houses and there will be a supply at Cumberworth Post Office. We will arrange community meetings at the church when needed.

We will also post updates and information on local noticeboards and on social media. All updates will be posted on the Cumberworth Community Association and St. Nicholas Church Facebook account.

## What the group has done so far

Several residents are helping to gather information about any potential impact on the environment (including the ancient woodland next to the field) and infrastructure of the village (traffic, water, sewerage system etc.) to make sure we have all the evidence we need to object effectively.

The Group now has a Community bank account (details below in "How You Could Help") which will be used to manage funds pledged at the community meeting. It would be appreciated if those of you that completed a pledge form pay into the community account at your earliest convenience. These funds will be used to cover campaign costs and importantly pay for the completion of an ecology assessment which is crucial to the success of our campaign.

Local councillors and our MP have been made aware of the proposed development and made aware that we have set up an Action group.

## What's coming next

We are working on a list of objection topics that will be important to include in your individual objection letters once the planning application is published. We will get these to you in due course. Ecology reporting costs are being gathered. This will form a critical part of our campaign. We continue to engage with and solicit support from local councillors and our MP.

## How you could help

It's likely we will need more money than was pledged at the community meeting to get all the expert evidence we need. You can donate money (including any pledge you made) to:

Bank: HSBC

Sort code: 40-25-10

Account number: 94787471

Account name:  
Cumberworth Environmental Community Action Group



If you have any expertise, experience or contacts that you think will be useful please leave your details at Cumberworth Post Office. There will be a form to complete at the kiosk. You can also use this form to tell us if you want to volunteer in any way or have any photographs or video footage of our beautiful Flora and Fauna to add to our Ecology case. A member of the action group will contact you directly.



Please display the enclosed poster in your windows. If we all do this it sends a united visual message to the developers and Kirklees. Please photograph your poster in your window and upload to your social media, tag our local community pages to show your support!

