

Mr. Marcus Young,
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Dear Mr Young,

Ref: 11/00823/FUL - Bradbury's Haulage - Garage/Workshop, at 68a Yew Lane, Ecclesfield

The aims of the Ecclesfield Conservation Group (formed in March 2008) are to “consider, advise, deliberate, recommend and make representations to the local Council and others on issues and projects which may affect the Conservation Area and the village as a whole”.

The Group has become increasingly concerned about the nature and extent of developments and activities at this location. This is because it is a site which is elevated above the stream valley that runs parallel with Town End Road, is within the Ecclesfield Conservation Area, has been identified by the City Council as forming part of a significant view across the Conservation Area from Town End Road and has been indicated by the City Council as containing part of a Prominent Tree Group along its northern boundary.

The site has been used as a storage yard for heavy commercial vehicles for many years. However the increasing extent of this usage, the negative impacts of these activities on the prudent and good management of the site (including the removal of trees, the undertaking of extensive earthworks and the dumping of wheels, tyres and other waste materials around the site) and the ancillary developments that have taken place to support this use are all now out scale with the carrying capacity of the surrounding area.

The view of our last meeting, at which 15 people signed in, was that this development would be out of character for the Conservation Area, visually intrusive, constructed of inappropriate materials and be in very close proximity to residential properties. Any further increase in the scale of this use on the site would adversely impact on the general locality and on the integrity of the Conservation Area. The Conservation Group therefore objects to this planning application.

Yours sincerely

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Minutes Secretary

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