

To: Claire Marshall, Calderdale Council, Planning Services

Letter of objection to Planning Application Application No: 10/01576/FUL
Applicant: Genr8 Developments LLP

I object to this planning application for the following reasons:

The planning documents submitted clearly state that the reason for the replacement of the canal bridge and highway improvements is “to support future regeneration and development of Sterne Mills and other areas within the defined Sowerby Bridge Copley Valley Regeneration area”.

This planning application states that “The proposals will facilitate access to the former Sterne Mill site and future highway link between Wakefield Road and Fall Lane”. **Therefore I object because there is currently NO planning permission given for a highway link between Wakefield Road and Fall Lane.** This application has yet to be submitted!

I object because this planning application assumes already that there will be a highway link between Wakefield Road and Fall Lane, and this is not yet the case! Therefore, this application cannot logically be submitted as a **separate application until the planning application for the actual Sowerby Bridge - Copley Valley Transformational Project has been submitted and approved.**

I object because this proposal **is not a MINOR planning application**, as stated by GenR8, and it is clearly facilitating the Sowerby Bridge – Copley Valley whole scheme proposals, therefore this application **should form part of the same application which GenR8 submit for the entire scheme.**

There is currently **NO** planning permission given for the Sowerby Bridge – Copley Valley Regeneration Project, therefore, **there is, logically, no need for a replacement bridge to go “nowhere” other than to the Lloyds Bank Data Centre car park, and to the rugby pitch.**

I object because developments such as these should not, and cannot, be split up, piece-meal, into individual parts, when they clearly form part of the same plan.

I object because this canal bridge is not unsafe, and it does not need to be replaced, since it functions perfectly well for its current purpose - which is for pedestrian and cycle access, for access to the rugby pitch, and its main purpose currently is for Lloyds Bank Data Centre staff to access their car park. The planning documentation submitted clearly states that the intention of replacing the canal bridge is

“Regraded access from this new junction into the Lloyds Banking Group car park”.

I object because a decision on this planning application for the replacement of the canal bridge **must not be made** unless the **cumulative effects** of this application, taken together with the entire proposal, which includes **the holistic environmental impact assessment on the entire Sowerby Bridge - Copley Valley Transformational Project, is taken in account**

I object also because Calderdale Council have screened the canal bridge application **not to require Environmental Impact Assessment.** I object since this is seriously flawed planning practice, and totally unacceptable, since **ALL applications** should be screened for Environmental Impact Assessment.

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SIGNATURE OF OBJECTOR: _____ DATE: _____