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## Good afternoon

Whilst I appreciate that homes are needed I feel that this development is not suitable for the way the environmental implications work in the village.

Stratfield Farm and Stratfield brake act as a fall away for the rainfall.

By building homes on Stratfield Farm you will be putting in a barrier which in one case may well help with the rugby pitches drainage as they flood due to heavy rain.

By causing a barrier this could have implications on flooding.

The other issue is established wildlife and trees which have Red Kites nesting every year. I have seen then on the boundary area between the proposed development and sports field.

Also Dear can be seen running from the farm area across the sports field then into the wetlands.

The area of the wetlands behind the sports area has what I feel is a unique balance of wildlife. Any major construction works will cause damage to nesting areas breading of stoats foxes Badgers.

Otters have been seen in the wetlands area.

I urge you to reconsider the development and make the whole area a nature reserve development on the house to be restored to enable schools and communities groups to learn about the environment.

As the impact will also have an effect of the carbon emissions raised levels us additional health issues on breathing.

Kind regards

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