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Hi

I am extremely concerned about the proposed development at Velmore farm.

There are three major issues with this.

Firstly we have a rapidly growing flooding issue at the bottom of the Velmore farm hill where we live (Newport close). Our garage this year completely flooded, on school lane the flooding there was so bad it was almost completely impassable with cars having to drive on the pavement to get through and one car was abandoned in the floodwater it was so bad, and Templars way has barely gone a day all winter without being flooded, usually taking out the whole southbound lane. Building on the hill is likely to increase surface water run off or overburden the drainage system and we could easily end up completely underwater.

Secondly if the entrance were onto templars way (which would be madness) then that road will be in constant gridlock. It already queues back most or all of the whole way from asda to the north baddesley lights during rush hour and is the only route through for thousands of motorists a day. There is no way this road can cope with any more cars. Even if it is onto Bournemouth Road which would make much more sense the added congestion would be bad but not as catastrophic. This is such a major issue as there is absolutely no way that road could cope with that much added traffic.

Finally it is already taking around 3 weeks to get a doctors appointment at our local surgery which is virtually useless as who knows three weeks before they are going to need help! I have personally found this extremely stressful and cannot fathom how the services in the community can possibly handle the additional housing there and this is definitely putting more pressure on Southampton A&E.

Please please please do not allow this development to go through, it would be an absolute disaster.

Kind regards  
James Waters