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Subject: OBJECTION to AWDM/1019/25-Southview Road, Southwick

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I am lodging my objections to the above plans. I have objected to this development every time it has been put forward, and for the same reasons which don't change.

The 75 l/s flood risk is the main reason. The Ladywell Stream runs under this land and causes flooding in times of heavy and prolonged rainfall. The floodwaters saturate and flood gardens in Southview Road. In recent times we have had many instances where this has happened. From December 2025 until now it has hardly stopped raining saturating the proposed development area from the rain on the surface and the stream below. If it was built on the run-off of surface water and from the underground stream would lead to worse flooding in gardens and could affect properties in prolonged periods of rain like we've recently had.

We know we can expect more rainfall and wet winter's due to climate change and this winter is proof of that.

Last time this project was declined for this development the developer appealed. The appeal was refused in July 2024: Appeal Refusal (APP/Y3805/W/23/3334241).

The flood risk isn't going away and is likely to worsen in coming years.

And would the stability of nearby properties be compromised by the development and subsequent water displacement caused by it, leading to subsidence?

And also, when the flood risk has been discussed before and objected to, the developer has said he'll be retired and they won't be able to touch him when it all hits the fan. He's just out to make money and has no conscience when it comes to paving over nature, or the impact on existing residents and the surrounding area.

I'm sure the gap between the back gardens of Underdown Road and Southview Road was left intentionally when the houses were built and should be left as it is to safeguard surrounding properties from risk of flooding.

This planning request and any further appeals should be refused for the above reasons.

Thank you.

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