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Subject: Station Development - 2025/60/91770

Dear Danielle

Re. Station Development - 2025/60/91770

I write concerning the proposed drainage arrangements for the above proposed development.

During the public consultation drainage from the site was an issue of concern to some correspondents including myself and the Kirklees team. Since the planning application call for comments closed the applicant has put up amended plans for the drainage mitigation during the works and afterwards.

When reviewing the previous Kirklees correspondence on the site development, in the context of the new drainage plan, what I am concerned about is the comment by Kirklees inviting the developer to consider:

"Surface water discharge at an attenuated rate of 3.5l/s to the existing culvert to the east of the site on land owned by the developer is considered by the LLFA to be the most suitable way of disposing of surface water generated by the new development. (* subject to a minimum flow control outlet of 75mm)".*

They have reflected this in the amended plan.

What is not clear whether this will go into a drain on the edge of the site (not clear in the plans) or head across the field and into the watercourse immediately behind my house which feeds into Meltham Dike.

The latter is a a tributary- which is an overflow from Blackmoorfoot Reservoir- and is often in high flow (see picture from previous winters compared to non-spate picture). The water rates have caused erosion to a retaining wall downstream (see picture).

I am concerned if it is the case that the water from the proposed estate is to be discharged into this water course.

Even if it is not, if is discharged into the Meltham Dike, it will exacerbate flood risks in the area. This needs careful review please.

If your Kirklees colleagues can advise me on the detail of this aspect of the plans I would be most grateful please.

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