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Dear Mr Holmes

Yesterday I submitted an objection regarding my concerns about potential contamination from the construction associated with this application. I wish to add the following comment for further consideration:

As noted in the submitted Landscape Response, the site sits on the River Adur floodplain, with alluvial soils overlying chalk bedrock of the South Downs.

The site forms part of the River Adur Water Meadows and Wyckham Wood Site of Nature Conservation Importance (SNCI), described as "*H42 Floodplain woodland with notable rarity and heronry, neutral grassland water meadows with ornithological interest and ditches with botanical interest*".

These soils are seasonally wet, and the underlying chalk is a highly permeable aquifer, meaning contaminants from construction could spread through soil and groundwater, potentially affecting these sensitive habitats and migrating off-site.

Furthermore, the submitted landscape report judges the site's impact from the proposed development to be substantial to moderate adverse, indicating significant negative effects on the landscape and site character.

Taken together, these factors reinforce the need for robust contamination controls, careful soil management, and strict groundwater protection measures to safeguard these ecologically and visually important areas.

Thank you for considering my comments

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