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South Norfolk Village Clusters - New Road Ashwellthorpe -

**OBJECT** 

To whom it may concern,

Please find below the rationale of my objection,

**FLOODING** – in the past winters and since Wood Farm development has been in place, New Road has suffered bad flooding to the road and houses. As the land slants toward New Road, if a further development was built on New Road, that would prevent surface water running into the fields, the result being more water running down the road and potentially flooding the existing houses again.

ROAD — New Road is already used as a through-road to Wymondham from Tacolneston with regular speeding. The road is a narrow one. If the new houses were allowing only 1 car per household, it is likely that the excess cars would be parked on New Road, either a) blocking the road or b) blocking the current walk through or any new path built. The current allowance of car per household is too low and we have already witnessed the house owners in Wood Farm development having to park along The Street, either reducing the road width or blocking the path. This has resulted in accidents along The Street.

**NUMBER OF HOUSES** – 15 houses seems excessive in that space which will lead to increased issues such as the above.

**INFILL** – Ashwellthorpe has already supported additional houses in the Wood Farm development and also other infill houses in The Street. The village is small with no amenities and the local School is already full to capacity.

**CLIMATE CHANGE** – the site designated has a number of existing old trees including mature Oak trees and established green hedges. Any development should not impact this climate benefit or impact the village balance of nature.

Although, in principle, I understand the need for additional housing, I feel that Ashwellthorpe has already played it role in providing this with the likes of the Wood Farm development and the infill within The Street, Ashwellthorpe.

The views and concerns of the current inhabitants of the village need to be listened to and the area being proposed is just not the right place for this type of development.

Kind regards,

Darren Prior