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Good morning,

My name is Danny Page and I live in Scotlands Close & most of our properties are adjacent to both phase 1 and 2 of the developments

This means we are probably the most obviously affected residents by the proposed development.

Already I have had to fit an obscuring film to my daughters bedroom window, as the construction workers and potential residents can look straight in due to the top floor windows of the building being constructed, being in direct line of sight of said window.

The 130 new houses to the South will be far more intrusive.

I would now like to highlight the very real existing problem of flooding from run off which occurs when concrete and tarmac take over our natural green spaces and also the far reaching concerns of this situation for the local community.

At present, we at number 9 & 10 Scotlands Close, have flood waters from the Elivia Homes ' phase 1 development 'and also from the Phase 2 area.

This is entering the corner of number 9 Nines garden which then streams down thru their established lawn into mine, at number 10.

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This in turn cascades over a retaining wall, encircles my detached garage and streams down the drive into Scotlands Close, joining the water already streaming down Scotlands Lane and flooding at the end of the road. This flooding is well documented & filmed.

When the first garden flooding incident occurred in January 24, it was during a severe rain storm at night, I filmed as much as I could on my phone and went straight round to the site office of Elivia Homes the next morning and explained my concerns to the then site manager who walked me across to where I felt the water was entering our gardens.

After some discussion he agreed to dig a trench, as a temporary fix, (which incidentally never happened) this being temporary as the roads & drainage construction were still ongoing and he felt the problem would likely disappear, IT DID NOT !

I also decided to contact the councils Planning Enforcement department about the problem, which while informative, did not help, as they felt it would be covered by flood control if the problem persisted once the development was complete.

The flooding has happened 3 more times & each time I visited the site and spoke to the site manager he informed me the problem had been reported to his immediate superiors.

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The ' phase 2 ' development of 130 residential homes will be nearly 3 times the size of phase 1, My house, like many in the close, is built into the side of the hill and at present has a perfectly dry basement , so I have great apprehension as to what will happen in the event that this unnecessary blight to our natural green space and amenity view is allowed to be built. The proposed properties will be up to 6 metres above, blocking natural sunlight & if the initial Phase 1 is an example, the ground will be levelled against each block of houses as I believe new buyers will only take on flat level lawn areas !

This will exacerbate the flooding further on the Scotlands Close properties which cannot be resolved by the use of SUDS.

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There are no exceptional circumstances real or dreamt up which would benefit the local residents so hopefully these proceedings will lead to the end of this waste of time and money for good.

Sir, Thank you for your considerations and I ask the Inspector to reject the appeal.

