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I have submitted a separate objection to the above but I have a couple of questions that I feel need answering but don't think they can be deemed as objections.

Firstly, a drainage ditch runs behind the gardens of the properties the entire house length of The Moors, The Moorlands and Meadow View that discharges into the pond at the junction of The Moors and Benmead Road. This ditch carries a large amount of surface water away from the fields into the pond. That pond overflows into The Moors public drainage system. In January/February 2024 the pond overflowed into the field.

In the plans submitted the pond will be filled in and replaced by a raised table roundabout.

I have been told by the developer, Mr Richard Cutler in no uncertain terms that this ditch is the responsibility of the landowner even though I was told by CDC many years ago that it was the homeowners responsibility and so have been maintaining the flow ever since.

My first question is if the land is developed who becomes responsible for the ditch once the developer has moved on? Secondly if the pond is removed where will the water currently produced by the ditch and held by the pond flow into?

I understand the developer plans to provide on-site surface water capture facilities but does the existing ditch feed into those alone?

Additionally who will be responsible for maintaining the green spaces, verges, orchard area etc? Will this fall to CDC or Parish Council or financed by a maintenance charge on the new

I enclose a photo of the pond taken 5/1/24 as an example of how full the pond can get.



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