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Gondar Gardens Reservoir

I write to object to the proposed substantial development on the Gondar Gardens Reservoir. As a resident & freeholder of the ground and lower ground maisonette at 17 Hillfield Road my property sits directly below the proposed development. Given that we are at the lower end of a slope (our back garden slopes fairly steeply up to the reservoir), we are already subject to damp in our property. We mitigate this currently, at some expense, having installed a significant damp course along with two sump pumps.

The introduction of a development on the proposed scale, with the associated significant increase in water run-off down to our property, represents a significant threat to our residence.

The reservoir currently absorbs water and serves to slow the flow of water down the hill to our property. The reduction in absorption and the associated increased run-off will combine to create a significant negative impact on the damp situation in my property.

To mitigate such negative effects would require taking appropriate steps to increase vegetation and limit run-off, for example through the planting of substantial numbers of trees and the use of green/living roofs. In considering a new substantial development on what is currently a green space, I trust the council will ensure that before any such development happens these measures will be taken.

Many thanks,