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Hi Chris,

I have looked at the submitted plans and given that the site is already an existing car park, I cannot see that there would be any additional impermeable area as a result of the development of the two padel courts. Overall, it looks to be of a scale and nature of something we would not comment upon.

What I would say is that the Site is at fairly high risk of surface water flooding so my recommendation to the applicant would be to raise the courts above the surrounding ground level to prevent them being inundated with surface water.

It should also be noted that there maybe a culvert running underneath the site. If the applicant is proposing to rip up the tarmac and build courts with any kind of foundation, they may want to do some sort of survey first to make sure the culvert is not impacted upon.

Many thanks

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