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Mrs R. McMurray
Planning Officer
Havant Borough Council

Dear Mrs McMurray.

The Plan for South Moor: APP/17/01250

We wish to object in the strongest possible terms to this proposal.

- The scheme is presented as a "habitat creation" scheme, whereas in reality it is nothing of the sort. It involves the destruction of a scarce habitat, the breeding ground of at least one Red Listed bird species (the Skylark) and Amber Listed species such as the Reed Bunting, and its replacement by a much-less rare habitat with no capacity for breeding species.
- This scheme would lead to significant loss of amenity to many people, local and visiting, along with workers at LTP who walk here during their lunch-break.
- The proposed scheme would involve the permanent loss of a much-used and valued circular walk.
- In its present state, the South Moor has a rare wildness to it, which should be retained.
- We remain unconvinced that the computer-modelling which has taken place has really understood the complexity of drainage patterns within the South Moor, and in particular the causes of occasional flooding.
- The behaviour of the Langbrook stream, in particular with regard to the millstream basin, needs to be thoroughly investigated.
- We are concerned that the current landowner will gain, both financially and in terms of an extra bund to the east of the Langbrook stream, whilst relinquishing his responsibilities for maintaining the sea wall.

Where is the public benefit in all of this?

Yours sincerely



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