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Dear Sirs

PLANNING APPLICATION: (18/05877/FUL).

From Punch Taverns to build two semi-detached two-storey houses on the car park of the Bridge Inn at the bottom of Lower Corve Street.

For centuries, Lower Corve Street has been flooded from the River Corve, and in recent years has been prone to frequent flash flooding, causing severe damage to both houses and businesses.

Whilst consideration must be given to the design of houses built within the Ludlow Conservation Area, together with the potential loss of existing parking spaces for residents, attention must be paid to the possibility of exacerbating existing flood conditions vis a vis run-off and storm drainage.

It is therefore essential that:

- The Bridge Inn car park retains its existing rough surface. It certainly should not be tarmacked, thus exacerbating run off into Lower Corve Street at times of heavy rain.
- Porous material should be used instead of tarmac for car parking or paths for the new houses for the same reasons as above
- New drainage systems should be installed which will alleviate and not add unto pressures in Lower Corve Street. Both Severn Trent Water and

the Highways Authority have responsibilities here: Severn Trent for the drainage from the proposed new houses and the Highways Authority for highways drainage. Both agencies should be asked to ensure that these proposed new houses will not add to the flooding issues already under discussion.

· Gardens should be given precedence over patios

Yours faithfully

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