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Our comments are as follows: The Parish council has a number of concerns regarding this application ;Notwithstanding the further erosion of the green belt between Hathern and Loughborough as it currently stands , the Parish Council has major concerns regarding the capacity of the A6 road network and the increase in traffic that will result from this development. Having studied the plans, we note that access is from the (yet to be built) roundabout on the A6. This roundabout will bring traffic directly onto a road that gives two options - head south or north, dependent upon destination. Any northbound traffic will be going through Hathern. On the basis that this development includes industrial units, we can assume that this will bring freight traffic through Hathern. Furthermore, we understand from Persimmon that any link through the new Garendon residential estate to the M1 will not be completed until 600 houses have been built this side meaning traffic has no choice but to go through Hathern or around Epinal way.

The Parish Council also notes that the field chosen for this development is in extremely close proximity to the flood plains - in fact said field has also flooded numerous times. Whilst also presumably not a reasonable objection, the Parish Council is immensely saddened to see that the new road development will run straight down the middle of a field used twice yearly for significant community events - the community groups involved will have to find a new home, or most likely fold.

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