

My name is Ulf Lagercrantz and my family has been in Millcroft for 7 years.

My concern regards the increased risk of flooding with the proposed development. We live on Millcroft Park Dr. Our basement was flooded in 2014 and again six years later in 2020. After the first flood we professionally waterproofed our basement on the inside, as it was already waterproofed outside by the builder. Both times our backyard became a pool and the street a river with about a foot of flowing water. The storm water system was clearly over capacity and applying pressure on the houses as most are connected directly to the storm drain. With the soil being mostly clay in our area there is simply not enough absorption to mitigate the heavy rain we seem to experience every few years. Our waterproof person said there was no amount of money or technology I could do to prevent future floods, as it is a neighbourhood problem, not a problem with our house. I can also confirm this conclusion, as many of our neighbours have shared their stories of flooding and pictures of their streets and backyards afloat.

I'm very concerned that taking away any more open space in Millcroft would make this problem even worse, not just for adjacent houses but for the entire neighbourhood.