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 $\u-4$?To whom it may concern

Please find attached objection letter regarding Scottish Borders Council Local Development Plan 2 $\,$

Kind regards

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24th January 2021

Forward Planning Council Headquarters Newtown St Boswells Scottish Borders TD6 0SA

Dear Sir

OBJECTION and CONCERNS to the Scottish Borders Local Development Plan 2 – PROPOSED PLAN 2020 Proposed Local Biodiversity SITE – Land at Everett Moss

I refer to correspondence received from The Wildlife Information Centre towards the end of 2020 in connection with the above.

As one of the owner occupiers of this area I have grave concerns and worries about the way in which I have been informed of Scottish Borders Council's proposal to designate Everett Moss as a Local Biodiversity Site. No one has been in touch with me to explain how this proposal and potential future restrictions from it has come about.

The way in which I have been informed of the Council's decision is insensitive to the fact that my family has managed this area for over 30 years and infers I am not in a position to do so responsibly. As land managers farmers constantly look at ways to improve habitats sympathetically and responsibly within stringent rules. In the past I have been refused funding to do so because of impositions I was unaware of placed on this area by local plans. I am worried that these further proposals may restrict environmental management opportunities and scheme memberships that arise in the future.

I have already sought professional advice with regards to another area on my farm within the Local Development Plan 2 and it is worrying that I may have to fund the cost of further advice on this area too. It is extremely disappointing that the Council can put pressure on key workers in this carte blanche way during the coronavirus pandemic.

Yours faithfully

James W Fullerton