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To: localplan <localplan@scotborders.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Proposed Development ref: ADARN005

CAUTION: External Email

Dear Lead Planning Officer,

I am writing to object in the strongest terms to the proposed local development at Darnlee in Darnick Village.

My objections are as follows:-

1) Traffic Generation: Darnick being such a small compact village cannot possibly handle the provision of any extra traffic flow caused by the additional housing in the village. There are often cars parked along the stretch at Abbotsford road which causes congestion at busy times and I feel that this would only get worse as visitors and residents may also park on this stretch of road.

2) Visual amenity : Loss of attractive landscape due to the building of new housing which would look unsightly to say the least.

3) Loss of trees: Trees would have to be cut down for this new development which would not only be unsightly but also impact of the environment.

4) Road access: If you propose to access the site at Broomlees the road would not cope with the capacity of heavy plant vehicles and other vehicles making it dangerous and hazardous for the residents of Broomlees Road , but if you access through Darnlee please see point 1) above , the road will not cope to this level of disruption and congestion.

5) Schooling : As any potential young new residents of this proposed development would access Educational facilities at Melrose Primary School, how would the school cope with the extra pupils? it is already a very popular/busy school which is almost bursting at the seams , it already has had to make way for more students due to the development at Melrose Gate not very long ago . I don't see how Melrose Primary School will cope with this additional strain on capacity.

6) Potential Flooding: It has long been known that the land you are proposing to develop on has often been flooded in the winter and very wet weather , I don't feel that this area is at all suitable for any developments now or in the future.

As a resident of Darnick Village I strongly object to this proposal as it will not only affect the residents close to the development but the whole village who need to access the road and have to look at the unsightly development everyday.

I would therefore ask you to reconsider the development at Darnlee.

Regards,

Helen Millar

Sent from my iPad