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Submitted to **Proposed Scottish Borders Local Development Plan**

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About you

Are you responding as an: individual, group / organisation, agent?

Individual

Individual

What is your name?

Individual name:

Derek Stewart

What is your email address?

Individual Email:

[REDACTED]

What is your address?

Address line 1:

[REDACTED]

Address line 2 :

Address line 3:

Town / city:

[REDACTED]

Postcode:

[REDACTED]

What is your contact telephone number?

Contact number:

[REDACTED]

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Which Site are you commenting on?

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Galashiels: AGALA029: Netherbarns: Housing

What are your comments regarding this site?:

I am very upset at the possibility of house building on this site ... The building would have a devastating impact on my (and thousand others) enjoyment of Abbotsford - and on the unique cultural and historical value of Abbotsford's historic buildings , gardens and estate,... The Abbotsford area is vital to Border tourism and economy - which has already endured such a battering due to covid-19... Sir Walter Scott believed that 'his oaks would outlive his laurels', i.e. that his landscape would be more precious and loved in the future than his books. The view from his house is Scott's legacy and is an all year round asset.... The house building opposite Abbotsford House - would be an eyesore and impact on the great Regency atmosphere which the site generates. It would detract from the Scottish Border's top visitor attraction and impact on what Scott was trying to achieve with his home and estate. This year is the 250th anniversary of his birth - to tear up the field opposite to his house would cloud his birthday - and go against everything that he stood for - killing the Romance and legacy of Scott.... The building has to be prevented.

What would you like to do now?

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