

## Response ID ANON-VDDE-RPGM-S

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]

### Proposed Local Development Plan Menu

Where would you like to go?

Submit your response to the consultation (Exit)

### Comment on Sites in Settlements F to H

Which Site are you commenting on?

Settlements F to H:

Galashiels: SGALA005: Hollybush Valley: Longer Term Mixed Use

What are your comments regarding this site?:

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What would you like to do now?

Comment on other Sites in F to H settlements

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