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\f0Regarding AGALA029 Netherbarns

\f0This is not just a local matter. The preservation of Abbotsford is vital to international tourism. Any intrusion that will affect the serenity of Sir Walter Scott's exquisite estate is of extreme interest to the world community.

\f0I am the President of the Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of Canada. As you must be aware, Sir Walter Scott's *Guy Mannering* was responsible for the naming of the Dandie Dinmont breed. Abbotsford is not just a cultural icon to the Dandie Dinmont community – it is a revered place that all Dandie owners wish to visit. A colleague and I organized two international events in 2015 and 2017 that took place at Abbotsford and brought 250 people from 14 different countries to this renowned estate.

\f0The 200 members of the Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of Canada strongly object to the development of the Netherbarns site. It is your obligation as a council to first and foremost respect the incredible tourist site that is Abbotsford, and recognize that you need to preserve it not just for the future, but for Abbotsford's immense economic contribution to your region. Without Abbotsford, many international visitors will have no incentive to visit your area.

\f0Yours sincerely,

\f0Mike Macbeth

\f0President,

\f0Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of Canada