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**Sent:** 07 January 2021 16:16  
**To:** localplan  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Abbotsford development

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Dear Sirs;

I am writing to record my objection to the proposed building of 45 homes at Netherbarns on Abbotsford. I am an Ontario Director of the Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of Canada and, although I have never visited Abbotsford before, it has been on my bucket list for a while now. It would be a shame to have a jewel like Abbotsford destroyed visually by a housing development, which could only have a detrimental effect on such a beautiful property and the revenue generated by tourism. I have read the proposal and a bank of trees to hide this project would take years to be effective and would still not obscure the blight or noise of a residential subdivision.

Abbotsford is the ancestral home of Sir Walter Scott and the accepted birthplace of the Dandie Dinmont Terrier, arguably the oldest terrier breed in the world. Next year will be the 250 year celebration of Sir Walter Scott and Year of Scotland's Stories. There will also be many of us, Dandie Dinmont owners and fanciers from all over the world, attending Abbotsford. It would be a travesty to foist an eyesore of a building site on the many people who will certainly attend these events, especially in this day and age of financial hardships due to COVID.

I realize that, as a Canadian, I have no real stake in this misguided plan, but I have seen far too many wonderful sites in this country adversely impacted by allowing rampant development to destroy the character and beauty of historically important sites. Please do not make the same mistakes we so often do.

Respectfully submitted, Eric C. Adams