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

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Quick Comment:

I write in reference to the proposed LDP plan for Galashiels area, specifically the planned housing development in the Netherbarns area, adjacent to Kingsknowes, Galashiels.

After reviewing the proposal and LDP plan as a whole, whilst I agree with the majority of the reasons why this is necessary, I cannot and would like you to record my objection to the proposed Netherbarns site for housing development for the following reasons;

(i) it has already been raised, and will continue to be raised - the effect on the overlooking historical Abbotsford House to this site. Regardless of seasons, this housing site will absolutely be a detriment to this invaluable historical site and would impact this massively

(ii) after reviewing the drawings, the planned access and traffic management plans are far from sufficient and will pose undue danger to traffic users. The current junction is already overwhelmed and the increased traffic would cause unnecessary to road users and children in the Kingsknowes area.

(iii) From a personal perspective, there was a reason my family and I chose to buy a house and reside in the Kingsknowes area. It is tranquil, picturesque with rolling views of the hill and an excellent location for bringing up family. I pay a premium for this through house pricing and council tax. With this new development

this will not only severely impact my house price but my families quality of life.

(iv) The council and agencies continue to promote a greener environment and Galashiels a brilliant place to live because of this. More houses = increased pollution and impact to the environment

(v) my understanding of this planning permission for Netherbarns was agreed on the basis of two councillors who live out with the Galashiels area. I really need to question the grounds that this has been agreed and how a fair and balanced decision has been reached.

I hope you are able to take my valuable points into deep consideration when evaluating this LDP. Once again, I would like you to record my objection to this planned development and my strong passion to challenge it.

Regards

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