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

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Leave a quick comment about the Proposed Scottish Borders Local Development Plan, or planning and development in general.....

Quick Comment:

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am utterly appalled by the proposed development at Netherbarns. I want to officially record my objection to this deplorable proposal not just for the clear and present danger it poses to the outlook from Abbotsford, one of the jewels of Borders tourism and culture, but because the development will cause irreversible damage to the beauty and environment of an area that has escaped this type of wanton vandalism for so long. This proposal does not provide any material benefit to the community at large beyond the provision of jobs that might just as easily be provided with a development in a more suitable location elsewhere.

Furthermore as a geophysicist with 30 years experience, I must warn you that any attempt to suggest that this site is suitable for housing, is materially inconsistent with the facts. You would be approving the development of land that is not appropriate for house building. This construction will also exacerbate flooding downstream through interference with surface drainage in the vulnerable Tweed Valley catchment. You would expose yourself to an action in damages for breach of a duty of care to protect downstream structures and for failing to properly examine the suitability of the site itself for those people unfortunate enough to invest in any housing on the site.

Please do not approve this project. It would be a truly lamentable act of environmental and cultural vandalism for which subsequent generations would not thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Jonathan Gillan

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