



13th January 2021.

Dear Sir,

Re AGALA029 – Netherbarns Local Development Proposal

I am writing to request rejection of this development proposal with its strongly negative effect on the nationally important Abbotsford. I think that the National Planning Framework 3 (LDP3) covers this set of circumstances very comprehensively.

There are very few buildings and grounds in Scotland with a more significant combined historical and cultural importance than Abbotsford. The house and grounds with their peaceful and pastoral aspect, along with the connection to one of Scotland's best loved authors, should not be allowed to be defiled or adversely influenced. The Scottish Borders Council has a duty to protect this current atmosphere and outlook from such a singularly attractive and historically important location right here in the centre of our own area of local influence.

The addition of a development of houses overlooking Abbotsford and its environs will have a severely detrimental effect on the view from the house. Abbotsford and its present environs should undoubtedly be viewed as a national treasure and as such be afforded the fullest possible protection from the effects of further development.

I strongly urge the council to reject this proposal.

Yours faithfully,



Mr and Mrs John Hill.