

Forward Planning

Scottish Borders Council

New Town St. Boswells

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I am writing in response to the Dumfries Local Development Plan. I feel that Dumfries has managed its fair share of housing developments. The car parking is now worse than ever in Abbotsford Road will overflow from hospital car park? and station car park? as people can walk with ease to both places, making driving through the village virtually single file in both directions.

Dumfries is still a village and should be respected as such as it is going to be developed. I understand & agree. I am well aware that housing is needed, but to lose the kindness and friendship of a smaller community is, to my mind

a serious consideration in this day + age. There is a lovely wooded area, Shunters Wood, which was planted some years ago now, has grown well and adds to the ~~diversity~~ diversity (which is so much talked about) of the area. The wholesale cutting down of the trees at the Tweedbank / Hospital / Melrose roundabout has made the area bleak.

Darnick has become a rat-run with a bigger traffic flow through the narrow main street and some quite large lorries negotiating through the tight bend - the village centre.

Darnick is under enough pressure without any more developments adding to it.

Yours Faithfully,



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