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Subject: Objection to change of Eyemouth Local Plan.

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Please find attached our objection to changes proposed to the Eyemouth Local Plan, on behalf of the people effected by the change proposed.

Unfortunately, your proposals are completely unacceptable, and we must request you take them back to the drawing board.

Sincerely

J R Anderson

Provost

Eyemouth community council



EYEMOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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FAO: [REDACTED]

RE: Site Code: REYEM002 Site Area, 7.7ha, Indicative site capacity:90units.

Regarding your letter to people within a 20 meter radius of the above.

Following petitions and a public protest against losing our last remaining green space accessible to the people of Eyemouth, SBC local elected and officers have failed in their duty to the public and failed to adhere to the 2015 community empowerment act Participation agreement.

Local Elected have openly and publicly in the Berwickshire News criticized the Eyemouth Community for the lack of progress with the new Community Campus. They have discarded the truth in favor of propaganda. The public in Eyemouth want the school to be built without being surrounded by housing. The public requested a primary School that was future proof, that could use the last Green Space the town has as playing fields. The community made it clear they were NOT protesting against the new School which is greatly needed. [REDACTED] has been made painfully aware of this time and time again.

It was totally unacceptable for SBC Cllrs in the Berwickshire News to blame the public for their failure to listen. Perhaps if they had listened and passed on truthful information SBC employees would not propose such an unwelcome change to the towns local plan. Our local plan stands as it is.

Going against Scottish Government Legislation aimed at protecting Green Space at all cost. The latest proposed update to the town plan focuses on a map that is zoomed in and fails to show the many other areas earmarked for housing development since 1995. Instead of following an agreed plan, the

conservative administration seem hell bent on going against the will of the people of Eyemouth. Eyemouth will not loose its Green Space to housing.

Perhaps it is time to take this issue to The Scottish Parliament. SBC is already painfully close to “special measurers” as it is.

The main focus during 2020 was to develop a destination play park on the site with residents meeting Cllr [REDACTED] on site with Community Councilor’s. A public consultation to determine the needs of the community was requested as it was clear the community did NOT want the town center over filled with housing developments.

More worryingly SBC have failed to follow protocol and procedure. No consulting with appropriate groups of people such as the community council. No communication with named people under the agreed 2015 Community Empowerment act, Participation Request. This failure will be highlighted to the Scottish Government who are looking at Local Authorities who fail to comply with their new legislation.

To be Clear, Eyemouth Community Council once again Support the Community of Eyemouth and reject the adjustment to the local plan that will lead to plans for 90 houses to be built on the old high school playing fields. We reject the addition of this area as housing development on the town plan completely. We reject all SBC proposals apart from the Campus building itself. We are in full support of the people affected by this development. A Primary School and destination play park with playing fields WILL be the perfect development for Eyemouth and is the only development they will accept.

Residents have the support of our MP John Lament and MSR Rachael Hamilton in their fight to stop this unwanted development.

We formally request SBC DO NOT pass this proposal to amend the local plan. We make this request on behalf of the effected residents of Eyemouth who have once again voiced their concerns at the forward motion of an unwanted development.

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