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Please find attached letter regarding proposed development plans for Darnick.
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Proposed Development at Darnlee ADARN005

I object to this proposed development in the village.

Darnlee is a Listed building in parkland within the conservation area of Darnick and is an important and historic entrance to the village. The development would require removal of mature trees which goes against the councils own climate emergency protocol.

The village has seen quite a few developments over the past few years taking away green spaces in the village. Broomilees Road is very narrow and is already well used for access to the new development at Gilroy Gardens and farm machinery. The main road running along the front of Darnlee is already used for car parking causing congestion through the village without any further building taking place.

With the difficulties on Broomilees road, which does not have a pavement, and the parking on the main road - safety must be considered.

Under your LDP, Darnick conservation Area is characterised by a number of buildings fronting directly onto the main road and the loss of the open space will be a detriment to the character of the village.

Potential Long term expansion to the west of Darnlee.

As far as I can see the only area this can be is what is known as Shunters Wud.

This area has been developed by the community for wild life and open air space for exercise.

To consider this for any development would mean removal of trees and wild life space and habitat.

This would go against all climate change protocol as well as losing the last of the greenspace within the village. Also it would be against the councils anti-coalescence policy to keep settlements distinct in its closeness to Tweedbank.

The area is used by schools and other bodies for nature study.

I hope my points will be considered in any further debate on these subjects.

William Murray