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Dear Sirs,

I am responding to the consultation on the Netherbarns proposal and sending this separate email due to reported problems with the online consultation. I object to the proposed housing development. My wife and I are long term Friends of Abbotsford and have stayed in the Hope Scott Wing with the view in contention, from our window shown on the enclosure.

This is an insensitive proposal for 45 modern houses opposite a site of national and international importance that attracts visitor all year round and contributes to the local and national economy. This development will have a detrimental effect on the view from Abbotsford that cannot be ameliorated, given its location in full view of Abbotsford, a Category A listed building. While the need for new housing nationally is recognised, there must be serious consideration to its location, taking account of the very important aspects of Sir Walter Scott's home, one of Scotland's most important assets.

This area on the opposite bank of the Tweed should be designated as an open space and be preserved as such. This is the view that Sir Walter himself would have viewed. Once spoiled by development it cannot be recaptured.

Kind regards,

David Coughtrie

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Re Planning Application Ref: AGALA029 Netherbarns

The view from Abbotsford House overlooking the area of the proposed building of 45 houses. Such a large-scale development of modern houses would be a blight in the outlook from one of the most important historical



buildings in Scotland that is beloved and visited by Scots and overseas visitors alike. In winter when there is a fall in leaves the view of houses will be very apparent. This space should be preserved as an open space, accessible to the public, as an additional attraction to Abbotsford.