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Submitted to **Proposed Scottish Borders Local Development Plan**

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About you

Are you responding as an: individual, group / organisation, agent?

Individual

Individual

What is your name?

Individual name:

Laura Smith

What is your email address?

Individual Email:

[REDACTED]

What is your address?

Address line 1:

[REDACTED]

Address line 2 :

[REDACTED]

Address line 3:

Town / city:

[REDACTED]

Postcode:

[REDACTED]

What is your contact telephone number?

Contact number:

[REDACTED]

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Where would you like to go?

Submit your response to the consultation (Exit)

Comment on Sites in Settlements F to H

Which Site are you commenting on?

Settlements F to H:

Galashiels: GSGALA010: Scott Park: Greenspace

What are your comments regarding this site?:

Good afternoon,

I'm writing to inform you of my objection to the current council plans for the building of the new Gala Academy in the Scott Park. While I understand the need for a new school and community facilities, I fail to understand the need for it to take over so much of the park. Indeed I fail to understand while the council won't disclose their reasons for not seriously considering their other plans within the Scott Park which would mean a new school while keeping the park in almost it's entirety but instead seem hell bent of ignoring the concerns of the people of Galashiels. Councillor [REDACTED] said on three separate occasions on social media that the park would not be touched and only spoke truthfully when caught out after bore holes were drilled. I feel the whole process has been anything but transparent and it seems the council wish to force the plans through without giving the people of Galashiels clear and true plans of what will be created and more importantly what will be left in the way of a park. I would also like to point out that the park is in fact very much used and is an essential green space for people of all ages and abilities, including those with disabilities, folk who seem to have been forgotten in all of this. Green spaces are essential for people's well being and the need for a park without the rowdy football players and kids playgrounds, just a simple quiet place for people to take time out is essential ever more in our

society and I do not wish for this vital area to be so ignorantly lost.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Smith

What would you like to do now?

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