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

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Individual

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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Comment on Sites in Settlements F to H

Which Site are you commenting on?

Settlements F to H:

Galashiels: AGALA029: Netherbarns: Housing

What are your comments regarding this site?:

I would like to add my objection to the proposed development in Galashiels, Netherbarns. A screen of trees, which will take years to mature, won't hide the development site with over 40 houses from the historic site and view of Abbotsford. Abbotsford is the most important historic heritage site in the Scottish Borders. It attracts 10 of thousands of visitors each year from all over the world as well as local daily visitors to the beautiful landscape and estate. It's a place of tranquillity and escape - more important now to local people than ever. It contributes millions of pounds to the local economy and has done so for years. A short term one off housing development can't be compared to that.

A new housing development would not only ruin the view from Abbotsford but also destroy the celebrations to Scott's 250th birthday, starting this year. Diggers and noisy machinery while Scott should be celebrated for all he brought to Scotland and the world doesn't fit.

The development plan did not take the ecological impact on the current trees and mature woodlands into account, nor the fact, that Abbotsford is open to visitors all year round. The plan suggests that you would be able to see the housing development during winter, a time when so many local people walk regularly along the river. Does that mean that local people don't count when it comes to lovely views? Views that Scott framed like a picture when building Abbotsford? I object and I hope a lot of people will and this ludicrous plan is stopped.

What would you like to do now?

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