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Vision aims and spatial strategy

Question 1

Q1 Agree aims LDP2:

Growing our economy

Question 2

Q2:

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Question 3

Settlement business allocated:

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Business Use Towns:

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Land delivery effectively:

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Planning for housing

Question 7

Housing agree?:

In my opinion, developing on the land at Netherbarns would damage the historical integrity of one of the region's (and indeed the nation's) most important heritage assets, and one that will become hugely important for the Scottish Borders economy in the years of major Walter Scott anniversaries coming up in the near future.

Abbotsford was created by one of the world's literary superstars in order to enjoy the views of his beloved river Tweed - this is its entire reason for existence. Having seen some of the amazing family archives held at the house, I know that the family have been fighting tirelessly to try and preserve this crucial view from destruction and compromise for well over one hundred years. They did this because the estate was always intended to be free to access and enjoy for the local community as a green and pleasant space to escape to. Now that Scott's estate is in the hands of a local charity growing in momentum and ambition as the years go by, the prospect of developing on the adjacent land seems sure to curtail their future success and opportunities across the board. With many tourists, particularly those who are coming from overseas, using Abbotsford as their gateway to the Borders, to jeopardise the appeal of this site seems ludicrous. It undermines past investment in the place, it puts local jobs at risk, and it risks damaging a community engagement programme that is doing wonderful and transformational things for the disadvantaged people of the local area.

I do hope that an alternative site can be found so that we can preserve what is best about the Borders (its historic estates, vistas and unique character), whilst addressing the very real housing shortage.

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Housing countryside:

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Agree removed housing :

Supporting our town centres

Question 10

Core Activity Areas:

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Berwickshire supermarket:

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Develp contrib town:

Delivering sustainability and climate change agenda

Question 13

Support alternative option:

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National park:

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Regeneration

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Agree redevelopment:

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Settlement Map

Question 16

Oxnam settlement:

Question 17

Core frontage Newcastleton:

Planning policy issues

Question 18

Agree amendments appendix3:

Any other comments

Question 19

Other main issues:

Landowner details

Have you submitted any site suggestions in this consultation?

No

If yes, please confirm the site and provide the landowner details (if known) for each site you have suggested.: