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About you

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

Individual

Individual

What is your name?

Individual name: Mrs E Cleghorn

What is your email address?

Individual Email:

What is your address?

Address line 1:

Address line 3:

Town / city:

Postcode:

What is your contact telephone number?

Contact number:

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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: AGALA029: Netherbarns: Housing

What are your comments regarding this site?:

Contrary to the comments in the Local Development Plan, Abbotsford is open in the winter months as well as the summer. The house and its policies have been saved for the benefit of the local and wider economy by the Abbotsford Trust. The arrival of the Waverley Line to Tweedbank has increased, and when Covid restrictions permit, will continue to increase visitor numbers to both the house and policies, bringing much needed expenditure to the Borders. The provision of a "screen" of trees will do nothing to mitigate the destruction of the view from the house and the paths which front the Tweed, as they will take years to mature. Meanwhile earlier plantings of mature trees may have fallen or require to be felled. I have been a "Friend" of Abbotsford since the scheme was inaugurated and take great pleasure in bringing visitors to this jewel, and regularly visit the house, the visitor centre, and the grounds. If this development goes ahead, irreparable damage will be done. This Council has a history of destruction and appears hell-bent on the destruction of a valuable asset. I object to the proposed development in the strongest possible terms.

What would you like to do now?

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