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I wish to object to the part of the plan which would permit the development of housing on the bank of the Tweed opposite Abbotsford House.

It is vital that full account is taken of national planning policy and, in particular NPF3 which emphasises the importance of culture and heritage both for the economy and quality of life. It states that planning should both maintain and enhance historic sites. The home of Scotland's most famous writer must fall into that category.

The construction of 45 houses on the banks of the Tweed, directly across from Abbotsford House has to be seen as contravening this policy. It is not credible that the proposed development would not impact on the outlook from Abbotsford, even in summer. Furthermore, it is not true as stated in the plan that Abbotsford is closed in winter when the development will be more visible.

The Scottish Government and a wide range of other organisations are working to make a success of the Scott 250 anniversary in the coming year. Their efforts will not be successful if permission is given to turn the opposite bank of the river into a building site.

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