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Submitted to Proposed Scottish Borders Local Development Plan Submitted on 2021-01-10 20:04:14 About you Are you responding as an: individual, group / organisation, agent? Individual Individual What is your name? Individual name: Grace McCulloch What is your email address? Individual Email: What is your address? Address line 1: Address line 2: Address line 3: Town / city: Postcode: What is your contact telephone number? Contact number: **Proposed Local Development Plan Menu** Where would you like to go? Submit your response to the consultation (Exit) Comment on Sites in Settlements A to E Which Site are you commenting on? Site A to E: What are your comments regarding this Site?:

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Which Site are you commenting on?

Settlements F to H:

Galashiels: AGALA029: Netherbarns: Housing

What are your comments regarding this site?:

Having volunteered at Abbotsford and enjoyed many walks over the years along the riverside in a peaceful tranquil setting I feel I must object strongly to the proposal to change this historic setting beyond recognition.

The Trust, Staff and the many volunteers work tirelessly to preserve the site, maintain the estate grounds and provide the local community with much needed outdoor space, since the work was completed on the network of paths the use of the area has grown hugely.

The number of visitors to Abbotsford gives so much to the local economy, visitors from all over the world who visit to see the historic setting which they have read about with a stunning view from the house across the river, a view which would change forever, Scott never imagined the day that visitors would gaze across to a building site/modern housing, certainly not the legacy he wished for future generations.

I absolutely do not see how planting a few trees is going to disguise the development site, after all they don't tend to flourish in the Autumn/Winter months, just take a walk around the many other beautiful areas of the Scottish Borders in winter, not much screening at all!!

Serious consideration should be given to a plan where a historic setting will be lost forever, I understand the need for new housing however some sites should be sacrosanct.

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