## Response ID ANON-VDDE-RPYC-1

Submitted to Proposed Scottish Borders Local Development Plan Submitted on 2021-01-17 18:07:18

## About you

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

Individual

Individual

What is your name?

Individual name: Shirley Sandison

What is your email address?

**Individual Email:** 

What is your address?

Address line 1:

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What is your contact telephone number?

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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?:

I am objecting to the building of at least 45 houses in this area, firstly because the development will be visible from Abbotsford House and grounds which are being used more frequently now (13,000 visits in December 2020 alone) and I believe that the Abbotsford visitor experience will be negatively impacted. This is a house of historic national and international importance which is open all year round with increasing numbers of visitors each year, and the proposed thin screen of trees which will take years to mature will not hide the houses.

Secondly, if houses are built in the Netherbarns field, that will mean an increasing amount of traffic in the Kingsknowe Drive and Abbotsview Estate area. It is difficult enough at times trying to join the A7 from the junction with Kingsknowe Drive, so any increase in traffic from the new housing would make it extremely difficult at peak times to get out onto the main A7 road.

I ask you to re-consider and NOT to grant planning permission for this estate. due to the points I have made above.

What would you like to do now?

