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Planning proposal: AGALA029

With reference to this Planning Proposal I am requesting that you register my objection to this planned development of 45 houses at Netherbarns opposite to the historic house of Abbotsford.

This development, if allowed to proceed, will have a detrimental effect on the unique heritage aspects of Abbotsford, its historical setting and its cultural landscape that was so important to Sir Walter Scott. Abbotsford is a 'jewel in the crown' of the Scottish Borders tourism industry. Your proposed screening of this housing development by a thin line of trees will not negate the light, sound and visual intrusion that will impact adversely on the unique heritage aspects of Abbotsford and the enjoyment of visitors. If the number of visitors reduces - so will the huge economic contribution Abbotsford makes to the region.

Please think again on this matter. You can find other locations for a housing development - but, if once destroyed, the unique appeal of Abbotsford in its historical setting can never be replaced.

Yours sincerely, Dr. Margaret Collin