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### About you

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Individual

## Individual

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Which Site are you commenting on?

Site A to E: Darnick: GSDARN001: Darnick Community Woodland: Greenspace

#### What are your comments regarding this Site?:

This Greenspace is only part of the Darnick Community Woodland. The land immediately to the west of Darnlee House is also Community Woodland (called Shunters Wud), and therefore there is no potential for possible housing development in this area as identified in the proposed Local Plan. Both GSDARN001 and the larger area to the north should be identified as Key Greenspace. You can check with Borders Forest Trust that the area mentioned is Community Woodland.

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#### Which Site are you commenting on?

#### Site A to E:

Darnick: ADARN005: Land south of Darnlee: Housing

#### What are your comments regarding this Site?:

Objection to zoning this land for housing development is on three counts:

1. Housing would adversely affect the historic setting of Darnlee House built in 1816, which played a key part in the development of the Central Borders, being the home of **Central Borders** who constructed many iconic features such as Peel Bridge and Scott's Abbotsford House. This setting should not be dominated by new housing, even if with a 'high standard of design' as its parkland setting gives Darnick part of its identity and defines the entrance to the village.

2. Whether vehicular access was from Broomiless Road or from Abbotsford Road, there would be the additional problem from lost on-street parking for other villagers, and from additional traffic in an already complex series of road junctions.

3. The centre of Darnick is already struggling to cope with the expanding population, with narrow streets, many without pavements, making walking often hazardous. Darnick is now big enough as it is, without further expansion.

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