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21 January 2021 14:30 localplan Re: CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - AGALA029 Netherbarns

CAUTION: External Email

Dear

Thank you for your email below, and to let me know that I can respond to you directly. I am 89 yrs old, and the internet/web stuff can get beyond me sometimes.

I want to raise an objection to the proposal AGALA029 Netherbarns, because I have had a house along the old Abbotsford Road since 1972. It is now owned by my daughter and son, and pays its way by being a holiday home for both the family and renters. In the winter months Abbotsford is clearly visible from this house.

Abbotsford House has provided work for my children as they grew up, and now is a fantastic all year round tourist attraction, heavily promoted by us for our holiday makers. We also enjoy walking along the river from our house by crossing the what will become the even busier and noisier A7.

I have supported Abbotsford House for many years and have contributed significantly to the refurbishment of the gardens and house. I would be very upset if visitor numbers, which have greatly increased, were to tail off again.

My first objection to the plans is that a single row of slow growing trees will be quite inadequate to protect the view from Abbotsford House. This view was, of course, a favourite of Sir Walter himself, as I believe his bed was moved into the dining room so he could gaze upon it as his health failed.

My second objection is that the proposed housing scheme will inevitably bring increased traffic onto the already busy A7 with increased noise, and increased danger for those - including Southern Upland Walkers - trying to cross to reach the riverside walks.

My final objection is that this development will do nothing to improve the area to attract more holidaymakers. The Borders Council have done a huge amount in the past few decades to give holiday makers easy access to many activities, including most recently national TV advertising which included the Borders and Abbotsford itself if I remember correctly.

Yours sincerely,

Sir William Purves.

On 19 Jan 2021, at 17:04, localplan <<u>localplan@scotborders.gov.uk</u>> wrote:

Dear Sir/Madam,

CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Thank you for taking the time to visit our consultation portal and entering your details. However, it has not been possible to register your submission to the Proposed Local Development Plan as your form was blank or contained insufficient detail in respect to your representation.

Please note that to register any submission, it is necessary to specify the part of the plan/policy/site that you are making representation to. Therefore if you are objecting to a site, it is necessary to confirm the site by its site code or at least its name. This will then allow for your submission to be properly registered.

If you would like to contribute to the process there is still time to do so. As you will be aware the representation period for the document is from 2 November 2020 until 25 January 2021. To assist with this process, you are welcome to submit your comments by replying to this email or by emailing localplan@scotborders.gov.uk.

Further information on the Proposed Local Development Plan can be viewed on the Scottish Borders Council website using the following link:<u>www.scotborders.gov.uk/ldp2</u>.

The Proposed Plan is split into two volumes, Volume 1 of the Proposed Plan contains the policies and can be viewed at the following

link: <u>https://www.scotborders.gov.uk/downloads/file/7621/proposed_local_development_plan_vol</u> <u>ume_one</u> (Please note you will need to click on the download now tab and open the pdf document).

Volume 2 of the document contains the settlement profiles and can be viewed at:<u>https://www.scotborders.gov.uk/downloads/file/7622/proposed_local_development_plan_volu_me_two</u>

Once you have navigated yourself to this page, you will be required to click on the download now tab and as with volume 1 above, then open the pdf document. You will then need to scroll through the document to the settlement profile for the settlement that you are interested in. There you will find further information on the sites and the site requirements set out in the plan.

Only comments directly related to the Proposed Local Development Plan will be assessed. Any other comments will be placed on file and if required, passed on to the appropriate department for reference.

If you require any further information please contact the Forward Planning Team on 01835 825010.

Yours sincerely



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