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Subject: AGALA029 Netherbarns Objection

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I am writing you to express my dismay at the possible housing development that will ruin the sight line from Abbotsford to the River Tweed, forever marring this beautiful historic treasure. As a past and future visitor, I find that atmosphere and surroundings are more than relevant, they are necessities to create the ambiance one expects visiting this special site.

I am an American, living in Abbotsford relates to my attachment to the historic value of the location and the association with my 200+ year old breed, the Dandie Dinmont Terrier. It is a shame when cities and developers think myopically about open land. One should consider the value of not just developing space but its intrinsic representation of history. If it is only finances to consider, historic sites provide real dollars in the form of tourism and jobs.

I have read the background information on your project, AGALA029 Netherbarns, and do not believe the developers understand how important it is to preserve land when it serves a purpose. I believe that the impact of the proposed development will forever change this historic venue, at a cost beyond just dollars, but become a blemish on the historical preservation we should all support.

As an "International Citizen" that respects your beautiful Abbotsford, I hope that my concerns are considered. I support the objections made by Historical Scotland, the National Trust for Scotland, and the Abbotsford Trust. It appears to me that the developer has in their selfish interests, provided incorrect and misleading information.

I love Scotland, its history, land and people. I hate to see ambitious developers influence decisions of this magnitude with no interest in preserving history. I could cite potential losses to tourism income but sometimes history and historical sites should be afforded the special recognition they deserve.

When I visit Scotland, I don't want to see housing developments and once open land abused near historical treasures. Don't devalue Abbotsford with a housing development project. Retain its views of the River Tweed. Preserve this site.

Please consider my objection to the AGAL029 Netherbarns development project.

Diane Hanowitz, Treasurer
Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of America

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