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To: Subject: localplan
Respond to proposal BESHI001 at Glentress Eshiels the Scottish Borders Council

(SBC) draft Local Development Plan (LDP).

CAUTION: External Email

I am writing to lodge my objection to the above proposal at Eshiels.

The main objection I have is the council contradicting all their current policies.

Sustainability -protection of natural landscapes, habitats and species and the minimisation of light pollution.we have no light pollution here.

Quality Standards Policy PMD 2 (Page 41). This policy states all new development will be expected to be of high quality in accordance with sustainability principles, designed to fit with Scottish Borders townscapes and to integrate with its landscape surroundings. A business Park in the middle of fields!!!!! Special Landscape Areas Policy EP 5 (page 114) I thought this provided protection against inappropriate development which the business Park would be. This will look out of place and clearly visible along the road. It also contravenes having green space around a town as well as. Which I thought was another of your policies.

In general I feel that this development does not fit in with your current policies. It will stand out on its own and be an eyesore. It will not fit in with the works sight as this is tucked away on the other side of the road out of view. This cannot tie in with a Special Landscape Area.

There is also a business Park in Peebles which is half empty. Surely your concentration should be on getting businesses to fill that first. Glentress attracts alot of visitors and I cannot believe you would want to spoil the beauty of this area. From the top of the hill there is beautiful views over to Peebles. Who would want to walk to the top to look at a business Park.

In the fields round here there has been found remains of a romantic camp. Has any study been completed on these fields. Why was this not detailed in your previous proposal?

This proposal will add to the traffic along the A72. This road is always busy and can sometimes take five minutes to exit onto the road. The high school children are not entitled to bus passes but expected to walk along an already busy road. The pavement only wide enough for one person so lorries and buses are very close when they pass. It would be irresponsible to add to this already heavy traffic from a health and safety point of view.

Your sincerely

Linda PEEBLES.