From:

Sent: 24 January 2021 16:18

To: localplan **Subject:** AGALA029

CAUTION: External Email

Dear Sir/Madam

I am emailing to object strongly to the proposal in the Local Development Plan to build housing on the bank opposite Abbotsford House. Any housing, especially the estate of 45 which you propose, will ruin the beautiful views we benefit from when walking in the Abbotsford Estate. So many of us have relied on spaces such as these for our sanity during 2020 and it would be an act of enormous harm to residents of the Borders to spoil this amazing countryside for the sake of housing which could just as easily be built in other places where they would not have such a detrimental effect on the countryside.

In addition, the impact of the huge number of visitors to the area and the income they bring to the area should be remembered - this development will not enhance that, quite the reverse, and at a time when the new tapestry exhibition is a due to open attracting even more visitors, this proposal flies in the face of efforts to improve the area for visitors.

Yours sincerely Kate Hunter

Sent from my iPad