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About you

Are you responding as an: individual, group / organisation, agent?

Individual

What is your name?

Individual name:

Liam Jack

What is your email address?

Individual Email:

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Address line 1:

Address line 2 :

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Town / city:

Postcode:

What is your contact telephone number?

Contact number:

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Where would you like to go?

Submit your response to the consultation (Exit)

Comment on Sites in Settlements A to E

Which Site are you commenting on?

Site A to E:

Eshiels: BESHI001: Land at Eshiels: Business and Industrial

What are your comments regarding this Site?:

I object to the development at Eshiels: BESHI001 as set out in the LDP, or any future development of this land on the following grounds:

- The site in question would substantially detract from the beauty of the open hill, and favourable eyeline tourists, visitors and residents of Peebles enjoy whilst driving, cycling or walking along the A72. The suggested development is out of place, the industrial area south of the road is largely out of sight and not relative to this matter. Just because trees are planted doesn't mean the view will not be ruined and tarnished irrevocably by this development.
- The area is within a green belt and is currently active agricultural land and already serving a useful purpose to the SBC and local economy
- The land has been declared not for sale, compulsory purchases as an option are messy and unethical, personally I can't understand where the demand could be from local businesses to warrant this?
- Following from the previous point, can it be proven there is a need for this development? Hopefully SBC has followed due diligence in researching this, but I'd point out; all the industrial units in Peebles Calvary Park have not been filled, there are plans for further small business units at March Street, There is property empty on the main street and in light of the present state of the country the likelihood is there will be more businesses closing than looking for opportunities in the near future.

- Changing the land use on this side of the road will of course make it easier to further develop the surrounding fields... I'm sure this fact hasn't been lost on SBC, I object strongly to using this development as a stepping stone approach.
- The flooding issue has not been taken seriously in the formulation of this proposal. The LDP admits a flood risk assessment will be required, The A72 is already prone to flooding in this area of road, this is without development.

What would you like to do now?

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