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About you

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

Individual

What is your name?

Individual name:

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What is your email address?

Individual Email:

What is your address?

Address line 1:

Address line 2 :

Address line 3:

Town / city:

Postcode:

What is your contact telephone number?

Contact number:

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Submit your response to the consultation (Exit)

Comment on Sites in Settlements F to H

Which Site are you commenting on?

Settlements F to H:

Galashiels: SGALA005: Hollybush Valley: Longer Term Mixed Use

What are your comments regarding this site?:

Removing green spaces from the town contributes negatively to the current climate crisis. The plans do not address the destruction of habitats for wild animals and their access to and from the Policies to the surrounding area. The site requires a road to be built through designated key green space therefore destroying natural habitats

The Policies currently offer both physical and mental health benefits to local residents. This space has been an essential green space during the recent challenging times and lockdown restrictions. The destruction of the Policies and the negative impact to families and visitors of Galashiels are not addressed within the plan.

The plan indicates employment and commercial uses on the new site despite a large number of vacant retail properties in the town centre. Commercial uses on the site would also increase traffic including heavy goods on residential roads and roads with schools.

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Additional traffic and parking has not been acknowledged. What would you like to do now? Comment on other Sites in F to H settlements Comment on Sites in Settlements F to H - page 2 Which Site are you commenting on? Settlements F to H: What are your comments regarding this site?: Which Site are you commenting on? Settlements F to H: Galashiels: SGALA016: Hollybush Valley: Longer Term Mixed Use What are your comments regarding this site?: Removing green spaces from the town contributes negatively to the current climate crisis. The plans do not address the destruction of habitats for wild animals and their access to and from the Policies to the surrounding area. The site requires a road to be built through designated key green space therefore destroying The Policies currently offer both physical and mental health benefits to local residents. This space has been an essential green space during the recent challenging times and lockdown restrictions. The destruction of the Policies and the negative impact to families and visitors of Galashiels are not addressed within the plan. The plan indicates employment and commercial uses on the new site despite a large number of vacant retail properties in the town centre. Commercial uses on the site would also increase traffic including heavy goods on residential roads and roads with schools. New residential developments would increase the need for car parking facilities within the town centre for those living in outlying areas to commute and shop. Additional traffic and parking has not been acknowledged. Which Site are you commenting on? Settlements F to H: What are your comments regarding this site?: Which Site are you commenting on? Settlements F to H:

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