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## About you

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

Individual

What is your name?

Individual name:

Tina Bucknall

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Address line 1:

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Town / city:

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Where would you like to go?

Submit your response to the consultation (Exit)

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Which Site are you commenting on?

Settlements F to H:

Galashiels: AGALA029: Netherbarns: Housing

## What are your comments regarding this site?:

I feel strongly against this development in an area that is truly stunning combining the natural elements of river, woodland open meadows, natural stone walls, sheep and horses grazing and the history of the old railway. This feature is a magical draw not only to visiting tourists but residence of the town too. My 3 main reasons for objection are:

- 1) It is very important for the Council to respect the valuable contribution that tourism brings to the Borders. Particularly affected will be walkers (on Southern Upland Way and others), visitors fishing the Tweed and tourists visiting for the important heritage that Abbotsford House represents etc. Any modern housing development that negatively impacts the aesthetics and ambiance that's so important to our visiting tourists would be hugely detrimental.
- 2) The beautiful river walks that are so easily accessible to the residence and tourists of Galashiels should be enhanced and preserved not degraded and made to look like any other modern town.
- 3) The approach roads into Galashiels are very important windows into the character of this important Borders town and so any development that negatively affects the aesthetics and ambience should be concentrated out of view.

## What would you like to do now?

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