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Dear Sir,

In response to your letter of 11.7.2023 I am writing to make further representations in respect of the review of change of use for Units 8-2 and 8-3, Spylaw Road, Kelso.

These Units were set up as a venue for supplying the local community- and from afar - with the requirements for crafters of all disciplines --Quilters, sewers, embroiderers, knitters etc,etc. But what is as important, it is a Hub for people, mostly women, lonely, widowed or anyone just wanting a chat and a coffee in a lovely setting with like minded people, all doing there own thing. Many of them have shown large improvements in their mental health and once again are enjoying life having taken up an old skill or learnt a new one.

At this venue there is ample car parking, a toilet, coffee making facilities and space and congenial company in a beautifully set out airy, spacious welcoming atmosphere. The choice of lovely material and other requirements are huge.

If Kelso were to lose this facility it would be tragic, so much effort has been put into getting this retail outlet up and running in an area where there are many other retail outlets.

The possibilities for children and adults in this place are enormous. Knowledgeable speakers and demonstrators are on an extensive timetable.

Many people come to this venue from the surrounding countryside, spend time there and then go into Kelso and spend time there as well, so it is an asset all round.

The proprietor is the most delightful person who welcomes one and all.

So please give what I, and I am sure what many others have said, a favourable outcome at The Review at the end of October.

Yours faithfully,



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