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**Dear Sirs** 

## **Demolition of wall and gate**

2 Bickerton High Street Aberlady Longniddry EH32 0RA

Ref. No: 23/00627/CAC

And

Alterations and extension to house, formation of hardstanding area, installation of EV charge point, erection of garden store, gate and bin stores

2 Bickerton High Street Aberlady East Lothian EH32 0RA

Ref. No: 23/00574/P

The Gullane Area Community Council submits the following response to the above applications for planning permission. The subjects lie wholly within our community council area.

We note that the site is within the Aberlady Conservation Area. We have no comments upon it other than relating to the rear wall and vehicular access. Stone walls such as this one are part of the historic look of the 'Back Lane'. It would be unfortunate to lose it. Going west the wall marks the terminus of the lane as a through route, with bollards in place to stop through access and a substantial narrowing of the route. The Lane has no segregation of vehicles and pedestrians and we would see any vehicular access to the site as dangerous given the lack of space to turn a vehicle within the site and the bollards situated outside in the narrow lane.

Although there is a Design and Access Statement it appears to ignore the issues relating to vehicular access. We ask that the application be rejected, or if considered by the Planners be subject to a rigorous assessment of the risks and their mitigation.

Yours faithfully

Martin White
Planning Spokesman
For and on behalf of Gullane Area Community Council