

SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL

MINUTE of MEETING of the SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL held in Council Headquarters, Newtown St. Boswells on 22 December 2016 at 10.00 a.m.

Present:- Councillors G. Garvie (Convener), S. Aitchison, W. Archibald, M. Ballantyne, S. Bell, C. Bhatia, J. Brown, J. Campbell, K. Cockburn, M. Cook, G. Edgar, V. Davidson (from paragraph 2), J. Fullarton, I. Gillespie, J. Greenwell, B. Herd, G. Logan, W. McAteer, S. Marshall, J. Mitchell, D. Moffat, S. Mountford, A. Nicol, D. Parker, D. Paterson, F. Renton, S. Scott, R. Smith, R. Stewart, J. Torrance, G. Turnbull, T. Weatherston, B. White.

Apology:- Councillor A. Cranston.

In Attendance:- Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (People), Depute Chief Executive (Place), Corporate Transformation and Services Director, Service Director Assets and Infrastructure, Service Director Neighbourhood Services, Service Director Regulatory Services, Chief Financial Officer, Clerk to the Council.

1. CONVENER'S REMARKS

The Convener advised that the Council had received a silver award from the Armed Forces Covenant Scheme as part of its Employer Recognition Scheme for the assistance provided to veterans.

DECISION NOTED.

2. SCOTRAIL PRESENTATION

The Convener welcomed James Ledgerwood and Lindley Kirkpatrick from Scotrail to the meeting to give Members a presentation on the first year of the Borders Railway and the plans for the future. Mr Ledgerwood, Scotrail Head of Economic Development, outlined the Scotrail vision which in its first year had 130 commitments to make the railways in Scotland the best they had ever been and included investment of £475m. The "Borders Line" was identified as a brand and a tourism manager had been appointed. Passenger numbers had been 7 times greater at Tweedbank and 3 times greater at Galashiels and Stow than had been forecast and there were a high number of students using the line to come down from Midlothian to college in Galashiels. The steam train journeys over the summer had attracted 5,500 passengers. In terms of performance monitoring, trains arriving within the specified arrival time limits were currently at 89% with an annual average of 85%. He outlined the reasons for delays which included severe weather, axle counter issues, Class 158 radiators and operational staffing. Improvement plans were prepared to meet these problems and future investment included additional services and extra carriages. New station facilities would be opened at Tweedbank in January 2017. Mr Ledgerwood answered Members' questions on a number of issues including smart ticketing, the need for new rolling stock, tourist related activities, co-ordination with bus services, the potential extension of the line, and improved options via ticket machines. The Convener thanked them for their presentation.

3. MINUTE

The Minute of the Meeting held on 10 November 2016 was considered.

DECISION

AGREED that the Minute be approved and signed by the Convener.

4. **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The Minutes of the following Committees had been circulated:-

Scrutiny	27 October 2016
Innerleithen Common Good Fund	27 October 2016
Executive	1 November 2016
Standards	3 November 2016
Planning & Building Standards	7 November 2016
LLP Strategic Governance Group	8 November 2016
Audit & Risk	14 November 2016
Executive	15 November 2016
Hawick Common Good Fund	15 November 2016
Teviot & Liddesdale Area Forum	15 November 2016
Civic Government Licensing	18 November 2016
Local Review Body	21 November 2016
Peebles Common Good Fund	23 November 2016
Scrutiny	24 November 2016
Community Planning Strategic Board	24 November 2016
Executive	29 November 2016
Selkirk Common Good Fund	29 November 2016
Planning & Building Standards	5 December 2016
Jedburgh Common Good Fund	7 December 2016
Kelso Common Good Fund	7 December 2016

DECISION

APPROVED the Minutes listed above subject to paragraph 5 below.

5. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

With reference to paragraph 7 of the Audit and Risk Committee Minute of 14 November 2016, Council was asked to approve a recommendation that the self-assessment checklist as detailed in Supplement 4 of the Accounts Commission 'Social Work in Scotland' report be issued to all Elected Members to raise their understanding of social work in the Council.

DECISION

AGREED that the self-assessment checklist be issued to all Elected Members.

6. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Audit and Risk Committee Minute of 14 November 2016, Council was asked to approve a recommendation relating to the approval of the Treasury Management Mid-Year report.

DECISION

NOTED that this report would be considered at the meeting as detailed at paragraph 12 below.

7. **OPEN QUESTIONS**

The questions submitted by Councillors Bell and Logan were answered.

DECISION

NOTED the replies as detailed in Appendix I to this Minute.

8. **REVENUE BUDGET 2017/18 PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS**

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing an initial assessment of the broad planning assumptions that should be followed in constructing the revenue plans for 2017/18 onwards following the publication of the Local Government Finance Settlement for 2017/18 on 15 December 2016. Now the Settlement had been received, the report updated the financial challenge facing the Council and set out a recommended approach to be followed balancing the budget. The report explained that reductions in the level of government grant totaled 4.08% next year which resulted in the

resources available to the Council being reduced by £8.28m when compared to 2016/17. The Corporate Management Team, in planning for the settlement, had been assuming a reduction in government grant in the range of 3.5% to 5% so the actual reduction of 4.08% was in the mid-range of these assumptions. Coupled with the reduction in Government grant, the Council would have to fund significant cost pressures next year that would require increases in the Council Tax estimated at 3%, increases in fees & charges and a significant programme of cost reductions to balance the budget and protect core services. In a late change to its previously published intentions, Scottish Government had now decided that income raised through changes to the Council Tax multiplier (bands E–H) to be introduced from 1 April 2017, would be retained by Councils to contribute to general fund expenditure. This change had significantly helped the underlying financial position and reduced the gap that would otherwise have been required to be funded by the Council. The £250m made available by Government in 2016/17 via the Health budget to fund the introduction of a Living Wage in the care sector had now been baselined. A further £107m had been provided by Government, again through the Health budget, to fund the full year effect of the Living Wage and further service developments. The Council's budget for 2017/18 was predicated on £5.3m of the £250m national fund being delegated by the Integration Joint Board (IJB) to fund the continuation of this initiative augmented by a pro rata £2.27m share of the £107m. Government had also made available £120m nationally to establish the Scottish Attainment Fund with £1.83m of specific grant to be allocated to the Borders for distribution to Head teachers. The report noted that 2017/18 would be the final year of the 5 year financial plan first commenced in 2013/14. The longer term corporate approach to the budget adopted by the current Administration would by the end of 2016/17 have delivered £26.87m of cost reduction savings. These significant reductions had ensured the Council had balanced its budget and delivered a small underspend in each year of the 5 year plan to date. Continuing the robust corporate approach to the budget in 2017/18 focussed on transforming Council services, investment in new technology to reduce costs, greater operational efficiency, new ways of working and the prioritisation of core Council services would be required. It was noted that further revisions may be required when the final budget was set in February 2017.

DECISION

NOTED the outcome of the local government settlement and the planning assumptions being made for the revenue budget for 2017/18.

9. COUNCIL TAX INCREASE 2017/18

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing information on the estimated impact of a 3% increase in Council tax in 2017/18 as initially proposed as part of the 5 year revenue plan published in February 2016. The report provided background information to the Council tax as well as details of the anticipated changes which the Scottish Government was proposing to the Council tax multiplier i.e. the relationship between band D, the average council tax, and bands E – H the most expensive bands. The effect of a 3% increase from April 2017 in the Council Tax bands A-H were shown alongside the effect of the government sponsored changes to the upper bands E-H. The Chief Financial Officer advised that the information in paragraph 4.2 of the report regarding the distribution of monies raised by the Council Tax multiplier was now out of date and that all money raised would come to the Council. Members discussed the proposal and agreed that there was no choice but to raise Council Tax levels but these increases must be constrained.

DECISION

AGREED to increase all Council tax bands A-H by 3% from 1 April 2017, noting that this increase would be in addition to legislative changes to the 2017 Council tax multiplier affecting bands E - H.

10. COUNCIL TAX - REMOVAL OF DISCOUNT FOR SECOND HOMES

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Service Director Neighbourhood Services summarising the new powers permitted by The Council Tax (Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 which allowed the removal of the current

Council Tax discount on second homes and the potentially positive financial impact arising from implementing the change. The report outlined the background of the new discretionary powers and the current position within Scottish Borders Council regarding the discount applied to dwellings that are second homes. There were currently 1028 second homes within the Borders and if the removal of the 10% discount was approved, this would generate in the region of a further £114,000 in recurrent annual revenue.

DECISION

AGREED:-

- (a) to approve the removal of the 10% discount currently applied on domestic dwellings that met the second home property criteria; and**
- (b) that the change was implemented from 1 April 2017.**

11. FEES AND CHARGES 2017/18

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the proposed level of Fees and Charges for 2017/18. The report explained that for 2017/18 the fees and charges were based on approved 2016/17 charges plus an inflationary increase of at least 3% unless there was a business reason not to do so such as charges being set nationally or if the increase would have a negative effect on usage. A copy of the schedule of proposed 2017/18 fees and charges was contained in Appendix 1 to the report. Any changes would not be implemented until 1 April 2017. It was noted that charges were also benchmarked with other Councils. In response to a question from Councillor Stewart, the Chief Financial Officer undertook to review the Langlee Recycling Centre charges but did note that costs were lower than those of private companies because the items such as building sand were recycled.

DECISION

AGREED to approve the fees and charges schedule detailed in Appendix 1 to the report with effect from 1 April 2017, subject to any amendments required following the review of the Langlee Recycling Centre charges.

12. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REPORT 2016/17

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Chief Financial Officer presenting the mid-year report of treasury management activities for 2016/17, in line with the requirements of the CIPFA Code of Practice, including Prudential and Treasury Management Indicators, and seeking approval for the revised Prudential and Treasury Management indicators. The report was required as part of the Council's treasury management control regime. It provided a mid-year report on the Council's treasury activity during the six month period to 30 September 2016 and demonstrated that Treasury activity in the first six months of 2016/17 had been undertaken in full compliance with the approved Treasury Strategy and Policy for the year. Appendix 1 to the report contained an analysis of the performance against the targets set in relation to Prudential and Treasury Management Indicators, and proposed approval of revised estimates of those indicators in light of the 2015/16 out-turn and experience in 2016/17 to date. It was noted that a new indicator had been included to show the Ratio of Financing Costs to Net Revenue including PPP financing and repayment costs.

DECISION

AGREED:-

- (a) to note that treasury management activity in the six months to 30 September 2016 was carried out in compliance with the approved Treasury Management Strategy and Policy; and**
- (b) the revised Prudential and Treasury Management indicators as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.**

13. GREAT TAPESTRY OF SCOTLAND

With reference to paragraph 17 of the Minute of 29 September 2016, there had been circulated copies of a report by the Corporate Transformation and Services Director providing an update on the Borders Railway Blueprint Project to establish a permanent home for the Great Tapestry of Scotland (GTS) in the Scottish Borders. The previously favoured location was at Tweedbank; however, the potential now existed to locate the GTS in Galashiels bringing significant benefits to the town. Following further work, a Borders Railway Blueprint led due diligence process, and approval of funding from the Scottish Government, it was now recommended that approval be given to locate the GTS in Galashiels and for the project to proceed on that basis. The report detailed the work undertaken since September and the key conclusion of the due diligence process was that the Galashiels option had the potential to deliver a successful tourism and regeneration proposition in a way that the Tweedbank option did not. The Galashiels proposal provided the opportunity for additional education and community use that was not a feature of the Tweedbank proposal. Furthermore, the Galashiels site benefited from a significant degree of community support and was consistent with the Scottish Government's "Town Centre First" principle in relation to place-making and regeneration. The Group undertaking the due diligence process required that a further Supplementary Report (Annex 1 to the report) was prepared for consideration by the Blueprint Leadership Group. This supplementary Report underpinned the conclusion of the Due Diligence Group and drew together all the relevant information on which they based their decision. The Supplementary Report summarised the work since 1 September 2016, presented further Business Case Information for Galashiels and updated the comparison between Galashiels and Tweedbank. The Blueprint Leadership Group had considered the conclusion of the Due Diligence Group and the Supplementary Report and agreed to recommend to the Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs that the £2.5Million of Blueprint funds held by the Scottish Government be approved for release. The Council was informed on 6 December 2016 that the Cabinet Secretary had approved the Galashiels proposal and release of the Scottish Government held Blueprint funding of £2.5m. The Director advised that recommendation (b) in the report be reworded to read "Agree the Project would be delivered in a single phase, combining new build and the old post office within a £6.7M total project cost". Members discussed the proposal in detail with views being divided on whether the project should progress.

VOTE

Councillor Parker, seconded by Councillor White, moved approval of the recommendations in the report, as amended.

Councillor McAteer, seconded by Councillor Marshall, moved as an amendment that the recommendation in the report be replaced with "that the Council acknowledge the considerable work completed by staff, consultants and key stakeholders including the Scottish Government and the Great Tapestry of Scotland Trustees in striving to bring the Great Tapestry of Scotland to the Borders and most recently Galashiels as the preferred choice location. However, the resultant severe financial commitment at this time of necessary restraint on the public purse coupled with evidenced lack of strong support from the Borders public make this project unacceptable and it should be terminated infinitum."

On a show of hands Members voted as follows:-

<i>Motion</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>25 votes</i>
<i>Amendment</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>7 votes</i>

The Motion was accordingly approved.

**DECISION
DECIDED:-**

- (a) to locate a permanent home for the Great Tapestry of Scotland in Galashiels at the site identified in the Feasibility Study as the Poundstretcher/Old Post Office Site;
- (b) the Project would be delivered in a single phase, combining new build and the old post office within a £6.7M total project cost;
- (c) to instruct the Chief Executive to proceed with the delivery of the project and agree that progress be reported to the Executive Committee through the normal capital monitoring process; and
- (d) the overarching governance arrangements proposed in paragraph 13 of the report be negotiated in detail between the parties and to instruct the Corporate Transformation & Services Director to bring forward a report to Executive Committee, in due course, to recommend the final detailed arrangements between the Council, Live Borders and the GTS Trustees.

MEMBER

Councillor Stewart left during consideration of the above item.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1.15 p.m. for lunch and reconvened at 2.05 p.m.

MEMBERS

Councillors Cockburn and Marshall did not re-join the meeting after the break.

14. SOUTH OF SCOTLAND ENTERPRISE AND SKILLS REVIEW - UPDATE

With reference to paragraph 7 of the Executive Committee of 1 November 2016, there had been circulated copies of a report by the Corporate Transformation and Services Director providing an update on the outcome of Phase 1 of the Scottish Government's Enterprise and Skills Review and seeking agreement for Council's input to the Phase 2 report. It also provided a linked update on the progress towards a City Region Deal. The report explained that Phase 1 of the Scottish Government's Enterprise and Skills Review had been completed. The Phase 1 report highlighted the intention to create a new vehicle to meet the enterprise and skills needs of the South of Scotland. This would be accountable to a new Scotland-wide statutory board alongside the other enterprise and skills bodies. In order to guide the development of the new South of Scotland vehicle, Scottish Borders and Dumfries & Galloway Councils had developed a set of Guiding Principles. These had been submitted to Scottish Government as part of the informal discussions that were ongoing with government officials. Work to develop a response to Phase 2 of the Review was under way, with the Council working closely with Dumfries & Galloway Council and other key stakeholders. The Executive member for Economic Development welcomed the report for regional decision making which could go some way to countering geographical failure due to remoteness/rurality, and further commented on the opportunities this could provide for the Borders to develop and build community capacity and capability, along with a relentless focus on geography and place.

DECISION

AGREED:-

- (a) to note the positive outcome from Phase 1 of the Scottish Government Enterprise and Skills Review;
- (b) to note the strong collaboration on this issue between Scottish Borders and Dumfries & Galloway Councils;

- (c) **the guiding principles which should underpin the establishment of the new enterprise and skills vehicle for the South of Scotland, as detailed in the report;**
- (d) **that the Chief Executive engage with Scottish Government, the South of Scotland Alliance, and other key partners in order to develop a detailed proposal for a South of Scotland enterprise and skills vehicle; and**
- (e) **that the Chief Executive present progress reports to Council as appropriate.**

15. DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE AND DRAFT SIMPLIFIED PLANNING ZONE SCHEME, CENTRAL BORDERS BUSINESS PARK, TWEEDBANK

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Service Director Regulatory Services seeking approval of Draft Supplementary Guidance (SG) and a Draft Simplified Planning Zone (SPZ) Scheme relating to the Central Borders Business Park at Tweedbank, a copy of which was appended to the report, to be used as a basis for public consultation. The report explained that the purpose of the Supplementary Guidance was to provide a framework vision for the future development of the sites which were allocated within the Scottish Borders Local Development Plan 2016. The purpose of the Simplified Planning Zone was to enable development to take place without the need for planning consent, provided the development complied with development parameters and conditions. It would create an employment-led redevelopment, providing choice and quick delivery for businesses considering locating in this part of Scotland. Members welcomed this innovative scheme which would, if successful, be a pilot for other areas.

**DECISION
AGREED to:-**

- (a) **approve the Supplementary Guidance and Simplified Planning Zone Scheme as draft documents to be used as a basis for public consultation; and**
- (b) **receive a report back following the consultation for both the Draft Supplementary Guidance and Draft Simplified Planning Zone Scheme.**

16. DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE: RENEWABLE ENERGY

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Service Director Regulatory Services seeking approval of the draft Supplementary Guidance on Renewable Energy, a copy of which was appended to the report, as a basis for public consultation. The report explained that the Scottish Borders Council Local Development Plan (LDP) was adopted on 12 May 2016. As recommended by the Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals following the Examination of the LDP, the LDP required the Council to produce Supplementary Guidance (SG) on Renewable Energy. A draft SG had now been produced that provided planning guidance on a wide range of renewable technologies. Although wind energy was the main component part of the SG, reference was also given to a range of other types of renewable energy which were considered the most common and emerging types where useful guidance could be given. It was proposed that the draft SG be approved for public consultation for a period of 12 weeks. Following public consultation, a report would be brought back to a future meeting of the Scottish Borders Council to seek final agreement. Once agreed the SG would be referred to Scottish Ministers and on approval it would become part of the Development Plan. It was noted that presentations on the Draft SG would be made at each of the Area Forums.

**DECISION
AGREED to:-**

- (a) **approve the Draft Supplementary Guidance: Renewable Energy and its appendices as a basis for public consultation;**
- (b) **note the Environmental Report; and**

- (c) receive a further report following consultation for formal agreement of the Guidance.**

17. SESPLAN FINANCE RATIFICATION

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Service Director Regulatory Services seeking ratification of SESplan budget proposals for 2017/18. The report explained that the SESplan operating budget for 2017/18 was proposed to be set at £301,774, with each authority expected to contribute a maximum of £46,550. It was noted that the SESplan Joint Committee had agreed the budget in principle subject to a further report being presented to the Joint Committee in March 2017 identifying possible opportunities for budget savings.

DECISION

AGREED to:-

- (a) ratify the SESplan budget proposals for 2017/18; and**
- (b) note the SESplan Joint Committee's intention to consider a further report in March 2017 identifying possible opportunities for budget savings.**

18. ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS PROVISION IN EARLSTON

With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of the Executive of 24 May 2016, there had been circulated copies of a report by the Service Director Children and Young People seeking approval following the completion of the public consultation process, of the proposal to formally establish the new Additional Support Needs Build in Earlston as a School and the formal discontinuation of the spectrum classes at Wilton Primary School and St Ronan's Primary School. The report explained that following the decision of the Executive Committee in May the statutory and non-statutory consultations had now been completed. Through the non-statutory consultation fourteen suggestions were received for the name of the new Additional Support Needs School. From these suggestions Officers created a short list of three possible school names namely Leader Valley School, Leaderbank School and South Croft School. The short list of school names had been sent back out to the Consultees in order that they could vote by 14 December 2016 on which of these names should be adopted. Members were advised that Leader Valley School was the preferred name and this would be formally reported back to the Executive Committee in January 2017 for their final approval. The remainder of the report dealt with the proposals that were subject to the statutory consultation process. A consultation report, a copy of which was appended to the report, in respect of the proposals requiring Statutory Consultation had been prepared and published on 22 November 2016, advertised in the press and Consultees were written to and informed it had been published. All interested parties had been given until 14 December 2016 to raise concerns or pose alternative solutions. Members welcomed the report and the Depute Chief Executive People answered Members' questions and confirmed that the school would be open to children from all areas within the Scottish Borders and that the school had a capacity for 50 children although it was anticipated that around 20 to 22 children would be in the building at any one time. The Executive Member advised that there was room for further expansion on the site and urged all Members to visit.

DECISION

AGREED that:-

- (a) the new Additional Support Needs Build in Earlston be established as a School; and**
- (b) the spectrum support classes at Wilton Primary School and St. Ronan's Primary School be discontinued.**

19. **EDUCATION GOVERNANCE REVIEW - CONSULTATION RESPONSE**

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Service Director Children and Young People on the proposed consultation response to the Scottish Government's document 'Empowering Teachers, Parents and Communities To Achieve Excellence and Equity in Education – A Governance Review'. The report explained that in 2015 a Report entitled "Improving Schools in Scotland: An OECD Perspective" highlighted the many strengths in the Scottish education system. It also highlighted some of the challenges facing schools in achieving the vision of excellence and equity for all children and young people. In response to some of the recommendations in the report, the Scottish Government set out to seek the views from stakeholders on a range of matters. The governance review sought views on how the multi-levels of governance, ie Scottish Government, local government, national agencies and other bodies, were leading and supporting the delivery of education. The review also asked how funding could be made fairer and how teachers, support staff and school leaders could be best supported and empowered to improve the education and life chances of the children they educated and nurtured. The proposed response was appended to the report and an amended response to questions 8 and 9 was tabled at the meeting. Members welcomed the amended response and emphasised the need for collaboration.

DECISION

AGREED the consultation response from Scottish Borders Council regarding the Education Governance Review as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report and as amended at the meeting.

MEMBER

Councillor Aitchison left the meeting.

20. **RHYMERS TOWER TRUST, EARLSTON**

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Service Director Regulatory Services providing an update on the ownership of Rhymers Tower, Earlston, the actions required to re-establish the Rhymers Tower Trust, appointing new Trustees, and highlighting the land issues relating to the Tower. The report explained that Rhymers Tower was disposed in favour of Rhymers Tower Trustees in 1966. The Trustees, and their successors in office, were Trustees *ex officio* i.e. they were Trustees due to the position/offices they held at that time. The Trust was resurrected in November 1994 by Ettrick and Lauderdale District Council in terms of Section 223 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, but it was not clear what had happened to the Trust since the late 1990s. It would appear that currently no Trustees had been appointed. The deed transferring the Tower to the Trustees stated that access to the Tower was via the Turnpike Road. This access route appeared to have been built over with no action taken at the time by the Trustees. It also appeared that part of the land had been incorporated into the garden ground, with fish pond, of the neighbouring Café/Restaurant. It was therefore proposed that, in order to ensure that the Tower remained in the ownership of the Trust and was able to be managed by the Trust, Scottish Borders Council now appoint the three local ward members as Trustees, *ex officio*. Members supported this way forward. Councillor Parker advised that members of "The Friends of Thomas the Rhymer" would also be appointed to the Trust to ensure the future maintenance of the Tower.

DECISION

AGREED to:-

- (a) **to revive the Trust by appointing local Ward members from Leaderdale and Melrose in terms of the Trust provisions, as new Trustees;**
- (b) **note that once the Trust had been revived the Trustees could appoint others as Trustees and were perhaps likely to do so; and**
- (c) **note that the Trustees may wish to address the land and access issues identified within the Report.**

MEMBERS

Councillors Ballantyne and Mountford left the meeting during consideration of the above item.

21. A7 ACTION GROUP MEMBERSHIP

It was noted that Councillor Marshall had resigned from the A7 Action Group. Councillor Parker, seconded by Councillor Smith, moved that Councillor Paterson be appointed and this was unanimously agreed.

DECISION

AGREED that Councillor Paterson be appointed to the A7 Action Group.

22. DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2017/18

There had been circulated copies of the draft Calendar of Meetings for the period August 2017 to July 2018.

DECISION

AGREED to approve the Calendar of Meetings as contained in Appendix II to this Minute.

23. PRIVATE BUSINESS

DECISION

AGREED under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the business detailed in Appendix III to this Minute on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 6, 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A to the Act.

SUMMARY OF PRIVATE BUSINESS

24. Minute

The private section of the Council Minute of 10 November 2016 was approved.

25. Committee Minutes

The private sections of the Committee Minutes as detailed in paragraph 4 of this Minute were approved.

26. Hawick Action Plan

Members approved a report by the Corporate Transformation and Services Director to progress the work on the Hawick Action Plan.

27. Land at Wyndhead Farm, Lauder

Members approved a report by the Depute Chief Executive People on the disposal of land at Wyndhead Farm, Lauder.

The meeting concluded at 3.15 p.m.

SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL
22 DECEMBER 2016
APPENDIX I

Question from Councillor Bell

To The Executive Member for Roads and Infrastructure

While welcoming the settlement between Scottish Borders Council and the owners of the Glen Hotel in Selkirk that has resulted in work beginning to restore the dispute wall in Yarrow Terrace, can I draw your attention to a similar problem in Walkerburn.

At 34 – 41 Galashiels Road a retaining wall has not been repaired since it was damaged by an accident over 3 years ago. It could be argued that as this wall holds up the Council's road, the A72, it is the Council's responsibility to repair and restore it.

When will the Council either repair this wall or constructively engage in mediation or arbitration to settle responsibility for repairing the wall?

Reply from Councillor Edgar

It is officers' view that the Council is not responsible for the maintenance of this wall, as in terms of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984, the responsibility for maintaining and repairing retaining walls which support adopted roadways, falls to the owners of the particular wall. Ownership of this wall, and therefore, legal responsibility for repairing it, lies with the owners of the adjacent properties.

This responsibility is denied by the homeowners, who, through their insurers, have instructed solicitors to act in this matter. Officers have been in discussion with these solicitors for more than a year and as part of that discussion, the matter of instructing an independent third party to settle the dispute has been raised. Council officers have offered to refer this matter to a third party expert for independent resolution but this offer has so far not been taken up.

Council officers continue to monitor the state of the wall, and as a result of a review of the most recent inspection reports from the Council's Senior Structural Engineer, it is proposed that the Council's Asset Management section commence the design of the repair/replacement solution to the damaged wall in the New Year. This in turn will allow an estimate for the repair/replacement to be determined.

On completion of the design and estimation process, the Council will commence the legal process to have the wall repaired/replaced by the owners of the wall, as provided for in the 1984 Act.

Supplementary

Councillor Bell advised that while the Insurers were prepared to pay for a like for like replacement the Council were asking for a higher standard of repair. He asked that Councillor Edgar manage a discussion to allow for a pragmatic and practical arrangement to resolve this with the owners. Councillor Edgar advised that there was no indication that extra works were required and that until a full assessment was carried out in the New Year the full costs would not be known.

Question from Councillor Logan

To Executive Member for Planning and Environment

What are the marketing plans for Sunnybrae Lodge, Walkerburn?

Reply from Councillor Smith

I can confirm that the Council are currently in the process of acquiring a small additional piece of land adjoining the property. It is hoped that this will be concluded early in the New Year. As soon as this land is acquired we will be making arrangements to have the property placed on the open market through our selling agents.

Supplementary

Councillor Logan asked on behalf of the elderly resident of the adjoining property that the damage to the access road caused by the previous contractor be repaired as it was preventing her leaving the house. It was confirmed that this matter would be investigated.

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APPENDIX II
CALENDAR OF MEETINGS
AUGUST 2017 - JULY 2018

Aug-17				
MON (SH)	31	JUL		
TUES (SH)	1	AUG		
WED (SH)	2	AUG		
THUR (SH)	3	AUG		
FRI (SH)	4	AUG		
SAT	5	AUG		
SUN	6	AUG		
MON (SH)	7	AUG	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES (SH)	8	AUG		
WED (SH)	9	AUG		
THUR (SH)	10	AUG		
FRI (SH)	11	AUG		
SAT	12	AUG		
SUN	13	AUG		
MON (SH)	14	AUG	TRADING OPERATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	15	AUG	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FINANCE/PERFORMANCE/TRANSFORMATION)	10.00 a.m.
TUES	15	AUG	HAWICK CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.00 p.m.
TUES	15	AUG	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	16	AUG		
THUR	17	AUG	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	17	AUG	INNERLEITHEN CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	3.00 p.m.
FRI	18	AUG	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	18	AUG	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	19	AUG		
SUN	20	AUG		
MON	21	AUG	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
MON	21	AUG	PENSION FUND INVESTMENT & PERFORMANCE SUB	10.00 a.m.
TUES	22	AUG		
WED	23	AUG		
THUR	24	AUG	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
FRI	25	AUG	POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD	9.30 a.m.
SAT	26	AUG		
SUN	27	AUG		
MON	28	AUG		
TUES	29	AUG	SELKIRK CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	3.00 p.m.
WED	30	AUG	PEEBLES CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	5.00 p.m.
WED	30	AUG	TWEEDDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	31	AUG	EDUCATION PERFORMANCE SUB-COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	31	AUG	EMPLOYEE COUNCIL	3.00 p.m.
Sep-17				
FRI	1	SEP		
SAT	2	SEP		

SUN	3	SEP		
MON	4	SEP	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	5	SEP	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EDUCATION)	10.00 a.m.
WED	6	SEP		
THUR	7	SEP	COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIC BOARD	2.00 p.m.
THUR	7	SEP	DUNS CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	5.00 p.m.
THUR	7	SEP	BERWICKSHIRE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
FRI	8	SEP		
SAT	9	SEP		
SUN	10	SEP		
MON	11	SEP		
TUES	12	SEP	PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
WED	13	SEP	JEDBURGH CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
WED	13	SEP	KELSO CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	5.30 p.m.
WED	13	SEP	CHEVIOT AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	14	SEP	PENSION FUND COMMITTEE/PENSION BOARD	10.00 a.m.
THUR	14	SEP	GALASHIELS CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
THUR	14	SEP	EILDON AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
FRI	15	SEP		
SAT	16	SEP		
SUN	17	SEP		
MON	18	SEP	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	19	SEP	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)	10.00 a.m.
TUES	19	SEP	LLP STRATEGIC GOVERNANCE GROUP	2.00 p.m.
TUES	19	SEP	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	20	SEP	JCG: TEACHERS	2.00 p.m.
THUR	21	SEP	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
FRI	22	SEP	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	22	SEP	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	23	SEP		
SUN	24	SEP		
MON	25	SEP	AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE	10.15 a.m.
TUES	26	SEP		
TUES	26	SEP	LAUDER CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	2.00 p.m.
TUES	26	SEP	WILLIAM HILL TRUST SUB-COMMITTEE	3.30 p.m.
WED	27	SEP		
THUR	28	SEP	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
FRI	29	SEP		
SAT	30	SEP		
Oct-17				
SUN	1	OCT		
MON	2	OCT	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	3	OCT	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	3	OCT	LOCAL LICENSING FORUM	4.00 p.m.
WED	4	OCT		
THUR	5	OCT		
FRI	6	OCT		
SAT	7	OCT		
SUN	8	OCT		

MON (SH)	9	OCT		
TUES (SH)	10	OCT	-	-
WED (SH)	11	OCT		
THUR (SH)	12	OCT		
FRI (SH)	13	OCT		
SAT	14	OCT		
SUN	15	OCT		
MON	16	OCT	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	17	OCT	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EDUCATION)	10.00 a.m.
WED	18	OCT	JCG: STAFF	10.00 a.m.
THUR	19	OCT		
FRI	20	OCT	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	20	OCT	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	21	OCT		
SUN	22	OCT		
MON	23	OCT		
TUES	24	OCT		
WED	25	OCT		
THUR	26	OCT	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
FRI	27	OCT		
SAT	28	OCT		
SUN	29	OCT		
MON	30	OCT	TRADING OPERATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	31	OCT	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)	10.00 a.m.
Nov-17				
WED	1	NOV		
THUR	2	NOV	STANDARDS COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	2	NOV	INNERLEITHEN CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	3.00 p.m.
FRI	3	NOV		
SAT	4	NOV		
SUN	5	NOV		
MON	6	NOV	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	7	NOV	LLP STRATEGIC GOVERNANCE GROUP	2.00 p.m.
WED	8	NOV		
THUR (SH)	9	NOV	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
FRI (SH)	10	NOV	POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD	9.30 a.m.
SAT	11	NOV		
SUN	12	NOV		
MON	13	NOV	AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE	10.15 a.m.
TUES	14	NOV	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FINANCE/PERFORMANCE/TRANSFORMATION)	10.00 a.m.
TUES	14	NOV	HAWICK CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.00 p.m.
TUES	14	NOV	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	15	NOV		
THUR	16	NOV		
FRI	17	NOV	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	17	NOV	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	18	NOV		

SUN	19	NOV		
MON	20	NOV	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	21	NOV		
WED	22	NOV		
THUR	23	NOV	EDUCATION PERFORMANCE SUB-CTEE	2.00 p.m.
THUR	23	NOV	COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIC BOARD	2.00 p.m.
FRI	24	NOV		
SAT	25	NOV		
SUN	26	NOV		
MON	27	NOV	ST ANDREWS DAY HOLIDAY	
TUES	28	NOV	PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	28	NOV	SELKIRK CGF SUB-CTEE	3.00 p.m.
WED	29	NOV	PEEBLES CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	5.00 p.m.
WED	29	NOV	TWEEDDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	30	NOV	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	30	NOV	EMPLOYEE COUNCIL	3.00 p.m.
THUR	30	NOV	BERWICKSHIRE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
Dec-17				
FRI	1	DEC	-	-
SAT	2	DEC		
SUN	3	DEC		
MON	4	DEC	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	5	DEC	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
WED	6	DEC	JOINT MEETING LICENSING BOARD/LLF	4.00 p.m.
WED	6	DEC	JEDBURGH CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
WED	6	DEC	KELSO CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	5.30 p.m.
WED	6	DEC	CHEVIOT AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	7	DEC	PENSION FUND COMMITTEE/PENSION BOARD	10.00 a.m.
THUR	7	DEC	GALASHIELS CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
THUR	7	DEC	EILDON AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
FRI	8	DEC		
SAT	9	DEC		
SUN	10	DEC		
MON	11	DEC		
TUES	12	DEC	LAUDER COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE	2.00 p.m.
TUES	12	DEC	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	13	DEC		
THUR	14	DEC	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
FRI	15	DEC	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	15	DEC	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	16	DEC		
SUN	17	DEC		
MON	18	DEC	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	19	DEC		
WED	20	DEC		
THUR	21	DEC		
FRI (SH)	22	DEC		
SAT	23	DEC		
SUN	24	DEC		

MON (SH)	25	DEC	HOLIDAY	
TUES (SH)	26	DEC	HOLIDAY	
WED (SH)	27	DEC	HOLIDAY	
THUR (SH)	28	DEC	HOLIDAY	
FRI (SH)	29	DEC	HOLIDAY	
SAT	30	DEC		
SUN	31	DEC		
Jan-18				
MON (SH)	1	JAN	HOLIDAY	
TUES (SH)	2	JAN	HOLIDAY	
WED (SH)	3	JAN		
THUR (SH)	4	JAN		
FRI (SH)	5	JAN		
SAT	6	JAN		
SUN	7	JAN		
MON	8	JAN	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	9	JAN		
WED	10	JAN		
THUR	11	JAN		
FRI	12	JAN		
SAT	13	JAN		
SUN	14	JAN		
MON	15	JAN	AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE	10.15 a.m.
TUES	16	JAN	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EDUCATION)	10.00 a.m.
TUES	16	JAN	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	17	JAN		
THUR	18	JAN		
FRI	19	JAN	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	19	JAN	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	20	JAN		
SUN	21	JAN		
MON	22	JAN	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	23	JAN	LOCAL LICENSING FORUM	4.00 p.m.
WED	24	JAN	JCG: STAFF	10.00 a.m.
THUR	25	JAN	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
FRI	26	JAN		
SAT	27	JAN		
SUN	28	JAN		
MON	29	JAN	TRADING OPERATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	30	JAN	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)	10.00 a.m.
WED	31	JAN		
Feb-18				
THUR	1	FEB	INNERLEITHEN CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	3.00 p.m.
FRI	2	FEB		
SAT	3	FEB		
SUN	4	FEB		
MON	5	FEB	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	6	FEB		

WED	7	FEB	JEDBURGH CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
WED	7	FEB	KELSO CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	5.30 p.m.
WED	7	FEB	CHEVIOT AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	8	FEB	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL (SPECIAL)	10.00 a.m.
FRI	9	FEB	POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD	9.30 a.m.
SAT	10	FEB		
SUN	11	FEB		
MON	12	FEB		10.00 a.m.
TUES	13	FEB	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FINANCE/PERFORMANCE/TRANSFORMATION)	10.00 a.m.
WED	14	FEB	SELKIRK CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	3.00 p.m.
THUR	15	FEB	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
FRI	16	FEB	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	16	FEB	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	17	FEB		
SUN	18	FEB		
MON	19	FEB	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	-
TUES	20	FEB	LAUDER COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE	2.00 p.m.
TUES	20	FEB	HAWICK COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE	4.00 p.m.
TUES	20	FEB	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	21	FEB	JCG: TEACHERS	2.00 p.m.
THUR	22	FEB	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
FRI	23	FEB		
SAT	24	FEB		
SUN	25	FEB		
MON	26	FEB	PENSION FUND INVESTMENT & PERFORMANCE SUB	10.00 a.m.
TUES	27	FEB	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EDUCATION)	10.00 a.m.
WED	28	FEB	PEEBLES COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE	5.00 p.m.
WED	28	FEB	TWEEDDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
Mar-18				
THUR	1	MAR	COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIC BOARD	2.00 p.m.
THUR	1	MAR	BERWICKSHIRE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
FRI	2	MAR		
SAT	3	MAR		
SUN	4	MAR		
MON	5	MAR	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	6	MAR	PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	6	MAR	LLP STRATEGIC GOVERNANCE GROUP	2.00 p.m.
WED	7	MAR		
THUR	8	MAR	PENSION FUND COMMITTEE/PENSION BOARD	10.00 a.m.
THUR	8	MAR	EDUCATION PERFORMANCE SUB-COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	8	MAR	EMPLOYEE COUNCIL	3.00 p.m.
THUR	8	MAR	GALASHIELS CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
THUR	8	MAR	EILDON AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
FRI	9	MAR		
SAT	10	MAR		
SUN	11	MAR		
MON	12	MAR	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.

TUES	13	MAR	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FINANCE/PERFORMANCE/TRANSFORMATION)	10.00 a.m.
WED	14	MAR		
THUR	15	MAR		
FRI	16	MAR		
SAT	17	MAR		
SUN	18	MAR		
MON	19	MAR	AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE	10.15 a.m.
TUES	20	MAR	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
TUES	20	MAR	LOCAL LICENSING FORUM	4.00 p.m.
WED	21	MAR		
THUR	22	MAR	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
FRI	23	MAR	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	23	MAR	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	24	MAR		
SUN	25	MAR		
MON	26	MAR	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	27	MAR		
WED	28	MAR	CHEVIOT AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	29	MAR	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
FRI (SH)	30	MAR		
SAT	31	MAR		
Apr-18				
SUN	1	APR		
MON(SH)	2	APR		
TUES(SH)	3	APR		
WED(SH)	4	APR		
THUR(SH)	5	APR		
FRI(SH)	6	APR		
SAT	7	APR		
SUN	8	APR		
MON (SH)	9	APR		
TUES (SH)	10	APR		
WED (SH)	11	APR		
THUR (SH)	12	APR		
FRI (SH)	13	APR		
SAT	14	APR		
SUN	15	APR		
MON	16	APR	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	17	APR	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)	10.00 a.m.
TUES	17	APR	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	18	APR		
THUR	19	APR		
FRI	20	APR	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	20	APR	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	21	APR		
SUN	22	APR		
MON	23	APR		

TUES	24	APR		
WED	25	APR		
THUR	26	APR	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
FRI	27	APR		
SAT	28	APR		
SUN	29	APR		
MON	30	APR	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
May-18				
TUES	1	MAY	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EDUCATION)	10.00 a.m.
WED	2	MAY		
THUR	3	MAY		
FRI (SH)	4	MAY		
SAT	5	MAY		
SUN	6	MAY		
MON (SH)	7	MAY	MAY DAY HOLIDAY	
TUES	8	MAY		
WED	9	MAY		
THUR	10	MAY	GALASHIELS CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
THUR	10	MAY	EILDON AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
FRI	11	MAY		
SAT	12	MAY		
SUN	13	MAY		
MON	14	MAY	AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE	10.15 a.m.
TUES	15	MAY	HAWICK COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE	4.00 p.m.
TUES	15	MAY	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	16	MAY	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
THUR	17	MAY		
FRI	18	MAY	POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD	9.30 a.m.
SAT	19	MAY		
SUN	20	MAY		
MON	21	MAY	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	22	MAY	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
WED	23	MAY		
THUR	24	MAY		
FRI	25	MAY	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	25	MAY	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	26	MAY		
SUN	27	MAY		
MON	28	MAY		
TUES	29	MAY		
WED	30	MAY	PEEBLES COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE	5.00 p.m.
WED	30	MAY	TWEEDDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	31	MAY	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	31	MAY	INNERLEITHEN CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	3.00 p.m.
THUR	31	MAY	EMPLOYEE COUNCIL	3.00 p.m.
Jun-18				
FRI	1	JUN		
SAT	2	JUN		

SUN	3	JUN		
MON	4	JUN	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	5	JUN	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FINANCE/PERFORMANCE/TRANSFORMATION)	
TUES	5	JUN	LLP STRATEGIC GOVERNANCE GROUP	2.00 p.m.
WED	6	JUN	JCG: TEACHERS	2.00 p.m.
WED	6	JUN	KELSO CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	4.30 p.m.
WED	6	JUN	JEDBURGH CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	5.30 p.m.
WED	6	JUN	CHEVIOT AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
THUR	7	JUN	EDUCATION PERFORMANCE SUB-COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	7	JUN	BERWICKSHIRE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
FRI	8	JUN		
SAT	9	JUN		
SUN	10	JUN		
MON	11	JUN	TRADING OPERATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	12	JUN	PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
TUES	12	JUN	LOCAL LICENSING FORUM	4.00 p.m.
WED	13	JUN	JCG: STAFF	10.00 a.m.
WED	13	JUN	SELKIRK CGF SUB-COMMITTEE	3.00 p.m.
THUR	14	JUN	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	14	JUN	PENSION FUND COMMITTEE	10.00 a.m.
THUR	14	JUN	COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIC BOARD	2.00 p.m.
FRI	15	JUN		
SAT	16	JUN		
SUN	17	JUN		
MON	18	JUN	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES	19	JUN	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EDUCATION)	10.00 a.m.
TUES	19	JUN	LAUDER COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE	4.00 p.m.
TUES	19	JUN	TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM	6.30 p.m.
WED	20	JUN		
THUR	21	JUN		
FRI	22	JUN	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI	22	JUN	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	23	JUN		
SUN	24	JUN		
MON	25	JUN	PLANNING AND BUILDING STANDARDS	10.00 a.m.
TUES	26	JUN	AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE	10.15 a.m.
WED	27	JUN	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL	10.00 a.m.
THUR (SH)	28	JUN		
FRI (SH)	29	JUN		
SAT	30	JUN		
Jul-18				
SUN	1	JUL		
MON (SH)	2	JUL		
TUES (SH)	3	JUL		
WED (SH)	4	JUL		
THUR (SH)	5	JUL		
FRI (SH)	6	JUL		
SAT	2	JUN		

SUN	3	JUN		
MON (SH)	9	JUL		
TUES (SH)	10	JUL		
WED (SH)	11	JUL		
THUR (SH)	12	JUL		
FRI (SH)	13	JUL		
SAT	14	JUL		
SUN	15	JUL		
MON (SH)	16	JUL	LOCAL REVIEW BODY	10.00 a.m.
TUES (SH)	17	JUL		
WED (SH)	18	JUL		
THUR (SH)	19	JUL		
FRI (SH)	20	JUL	LICENSING BOARD	10.00 a.m.
FRI (SH)	20	JUL	CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE	11.00 a.m.
SAT	21	JUL		
SUN	22	JUL		
MON (SH)	23	JUL		
TUES (SH)	24	JUL		
WED (SH)	25	JUL		
THUR (SH)	26	JUL		
FRI (SH)	27	JUL		

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