

MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 23 March 2022

Time: 6.30pm - 8.30 p.m.

Location: Microsoft Teams

AGENDA	
1.	Welcome and Meeting Protocols
2.	Feedback from meeting of 26 January 2022 (Pages 3 - 22) a) Minute of meeting b) Menti evaluations
3.	Section 1: Service & Partner updates and consultations Place Making – Workshop date 27 April 2022 (for noting)
4.	Section 2: Local Priorities (a) Kelso Skate Park – presentation from Kelso High School students and Youth Learning Team (CLD Service) (b) Electric Vehicle Charging – Update (c) Community Choices – Participatory Budgeting Update (d) Cheviot Community Assistance Hub Update
5.	Section 3: Community Empowerment and Community Funding (Pages 23 - 40) (a) Funding Tables March 2022 (b) (i) Cheviot Community Fund - 2021/22 Overview and Cheviot Assessment Panel's recommendations for changes to the current scheme for 2022/23 (ii) Cheviot Community Fund - consider funding recommendations from the Cheviot Assessment Panel (c) Build Back a Better Borders Recovery Fund applications Consider three applications for funding: i). Jed Thistle RFC ii). Archaeology Scotland

iii). Bodyzone Gym

Photos of BBBB funded projects: [BBBB Fund Awards 2021/22 | Flickr](#)



6. **Section 4 : Other** (Pages 41 - 44)

(a) Additional information for noting:

- i. Current consultations, Community Empowerment requests and additional information
- ii. Scottish Borders Council Plan 2022/23: [Report](#) and [Plan](#)
- iii. [Budget Communication Strategy 2022/23](#), including [survey response summary](#) and [feedback](#)
- iv. [Capital Programme 2022/29 Investment in Play Areas and Outdoor Community Spaces](#), including [Play Park Programme](#)

(b) Next Area Partnership 29 June 2022 to include:

a). 20mph Road to Permanence update following Council agreement 16/12/2021

Are there any items you would like to propose for the agenda?

Please contact your local councillor or the Communities & Partnership Team

(c) Any other formal business

(d) Meeting evaluation will take place using Menti

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**Cheviot
Area Partnership**



MINUTES of Meeting of the CHEVIOT
AREA PARTNERSHIP held remotely by
Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, 26
January 2022 at 6.30 pm.

Present:- Councillors S. Hamilton (Chairman), S. Mountford, T. Weatherston, J. Brown, E. Robson, S. Scott together with 18 Representatives of Partner Organisations, Community Councils and Members of the Public.

Apologies: Charles Strang (St Boswells CC), David Watson (Ednam, Stichill and Berry Moss CC), John Taylor (Jedburgh CC), Susan Oliver (Headteacher Jedburgh Campus), Hazel Woodsell (Kelso Heritage), Yvonne O'Hara (SBHA), Sarah Mackie (SBHA).

In attendance: - Locality Development Co-ordinator (C Malster), Community Engagement Officer (David Peebles), Network Manager (Brian Young), Democratic Services Officer (F. Henderson), Principal Solicitor (Hannah Macleod)

1.0 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

1.1 Microsoft teams, which included elected Members, guests attending within the meeting and those watching via the Live Stream. He outlined how the meeting would be conducted.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Chairman varied the order of business as shown on the agenda and the Minute reflects the order in which the items were considered at the meeting.

2.0 FEEDBACK FROM MEETING ON 24 NOVEMBER 2021

2.1 The minute of the meeting of the Cheviot Area Partnership held on 24 November 2021 had been circulated and was noted.

SECTION 1: SERVICE & PARTNER UPDATES

3.0 PLACE MAKING UPDATE

3.1 The Strategic Community Engagement Officer reported that appointments had been made to the posts of Community Place, Planning and Regeneration Officer and Project Manager - Place Making. The Chairman welcomed Sharon Renwick (Community Place, Planning and Regeneration Officer) and Naomi Sweeney (Project Manager – Place Making) to the meeting and asked them to say a few words about their future plans.

**DECISION
NOTED.**

3.2 COMMON GOOD – CONSULTATION ON ASSET REGISTER

Mrs Hannah MacLeod, Principal Solicitor was present and explained that under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 the Council was required to establish and maintain a register of property which was held by the authority as part of the Common Good (“a Common Good Register”). Common Good was a type of property that local authorities may have, which had been passed down by former burgh councils. It often had strong

historical and emotional value to local communities, as well as its practical use and financial value. Before establishing a Common Good Register, the Act required the Council to publish a list of property that it proposed to include in the Register and consult the public in setting up these registers. The Council approved the process for compliance with the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 on 31 January 2019, and work had been ongoing in consolidating all information held in respect of heritable and moveable Common Good assets. From the work carried out, a draft list of assets considered to be a complete list of heritable and moveable assets held by the Kelso Common Good and Jedburgh Common Good had been prepared, and were included on the draft registers which were out for consultation. The consultation would seek representations on (i) whether a proposed asset should be included as part of the Common Good; or (ii) whether there should be other assets included in the Common Good asset list. In addition to the electronic survey, the proposed lists of Common Good assets would be published on the Council's website and paper copies would be made available, free of charge, on request. All Community Councils and other community bodies were being made aware of the publication of the proposed Common Good Asset lists and invited to make representations in respect of these lists. The twelve week consultation would run until 31 March 2022.

**DECISION
NOTED.**

JIM CLARK RALLY

- 3.3 There had been circulated copies of a report by the Director of Infrastructure and Environment which provided the Area Partnership and the local community an opportunity to consider and comment on the proposals submitted by event organisers of the Jim Clark Rally to hold a rally on closed roads in the Scottish Borders on the weekend of 27 to 29 May 2022. The report highlighted the revised legislation introduced in 2019 to allow motor sports events to take place on closed public roads. The new regulations build upon previous experience through the Jim Clark Rally and other events and were intended to introduce increased rigor to the procedure for organising and running such events. The 2019 Regulations introduced a two stage procedure where organisers must first successfully apply to an "authorised body" for a permit before applying to the local roads authority for a Motor Sports Order. In determining whether to make a Motor Sports Order, Scottish Borders Council, as local roads authority, had to consider a number of factors laid out in the Regulations. The report outlined those factors and provided an opportunity to examine the proposals submitted by the rally organisers in respect of the routes and timings for the rally on 27 to 29 May 2022. The organisers of the Jim Clark Rally, having successfully applied for a permit from "the authorised body", had lodged an application with Scottish Borders Council (within the specified 6 month period required to allow consideration) seeking a Motor Sports Order to undertake the event. It was noted that the event organisers had, prior to submitting the application, been in consultation with representatives of Scottish Borders Council and Police Scotland through the established Safety Advisory Group (SAG). The intention of the Jim Clark Rally organisers was for the event to be based in Duns and to hold a pre-rally 'shakedown stage' on the Friday morning followed by two rally stages starting early evening; then hold 7 rally stages (over 3 different routes) on the Saturday and a further 6 rally stages (over 3 further different routes) on the Sunday. The Shakedown Stage on Friday was scheduled for the road south of Mellerstain Mill with the evening stage being two runs of Longformacus to Abbey St Bathans following a ceremonial start in Duns Square. On the Saturday the three routes were Westruther, Scott's View, and Eccles. This would see a single run, in an anti-clockwise direction of travel, over the three routes followed by vehicle servicing and refuelling in Duns and then a repeat of that earlier sequence. Following a further refuelling there would then be a third run over the Eccles Stage ahead of a

Ceremonial finish in Duns shortly after 1700 hours. Sunday would see routes at Edrom, Ayton and Fogo. The intention being to run a clockwise loop of these routes followed by servicing and refuelling in Duns before a repeat loop over the three routes and a final Ceremonial finish in Duns. Daily overall route plans were provided in Appendix A to the report and provisional stage timings provided at Appendix C to the report.

- 3.4 The report was welcomed as the Jim Clark Rally was a major sporting event and brought significant economic benefit to the Scottish Borders. It attracted a high number of spectators, supporters, staff and competitors to the area, many of whom stayed a number of nights and by extending the route it would spread the benefits throughout the Borders. Organisers of the Jim Clark Rally were present at the meeting to answer questions. They encouraged everyone to make use of the consultation, confirmed that they would be consulting with each of the Community Councils within the rally route and thanked the Area Partnership for their time.

DECISION

- (a) **NOTED the application by organisers of the Jim Clark Rally to run an event on the weekend of 27 and 29 May 2022.**
- (b) **AGREED to make known any comments it had about the proposal to run an event and/or proposed routes and timings for that event.**

4.0 SECTION 2: LOCAL PRIORTIES

4.1 Meeting evaluation

Clare Malster, Locality Development Co-ordinator, explained Mentimeter, an online tool that SBC were using to gather information and feedback during meetings. Those attending the meeting and watching on the live stream we invited to rate a range of presentations that had taken place at Cheviot Area Partnership meetings over the past 12 months. The evaluation would be available for seven days for those who wished to share their thoughts on the meeting and was also available for those who were unable to attend but had comments to share.

5.0 SECTION 3: COMMUNITY FUND

With reference to paragraph 9 of the Minute of the meeting held on 22 September 2021, it was reported that recruitment for the Cheviot Community Assessment Panel was now complete. Mr Dean Weatherston had not sought re-election for Kelso Community Council and had applied to become a Community Representative. Sarah Mackie had also applied and been appointed to the Panel as a community representative. The Quorum had been increased again to 5 following appointment to the remaining vacancies. It was clarified that the Community Councillors could be represented by their deputies if they have a conflict of interest.

DECISION NOTED.

6.0 CHEVIOT COMMUNITY FUNDING 2020

- 6.1 There was still funds available for community based projects. The cut-off date for applications of £500 and under was the end of February and applications in the £500-£2,500 required to be submitted by 14 February 2022.

**DECISION
NOTED.**

APPLICATIONS

- 6.2 There had been circulated copies of a report which detailed the recommendations of the Cheviot Community Fund Assessment Panel. The report provided a brief description of each application received and a recommendation on the sum to be awarded to each project.
- 6.3 **Jedburgh Community Trust** - An application had been received for assessment work to preserve the historic Capon Tree. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were preservation of a local landmark and heritage, community driven and would have a positive impact on tourism. The Panel recommended awarding £1,798.
- 6.4 **Crailing, Eckford and Nisbet Community Council** - An application had been received for the repainting of the community owned telephone boxes. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were that the telephone boxes housed the defibrillator, would allow provision of information, advice and support for the local community and general public and would support the local community. The Panel recommended awarding £1,026.
- 6.5 **Tweed Valley Railway Campaign** - An application had been received for community engagement costs. The Panel had a healthy discussion on this application, with the majority supportive of the project. The key points influencing the Panel's decision were that it would help establish the level of interest across the community and was community driven. The Panel recommend awarding £2,500.
- 6.6 **Morebattle Institute** - An application had been received for roof repair costs. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were the preservation and maintenance of a valued local resource and community benefits. The Panel recommended awarding £2,500.

DECISION

AGREED that the following grants be awarded:-

- (a) **Jedburgh Community Trust in the sum of £1,798.20**
- (b) **Crailing, Eckford and Nisbet Community Council in the sum of £1,026**
- (c) **Tweed Valley Railway Campaign in the sum of £2,500**
- (d) **Morebattle Institute in the sum of £2,500**

7.0 **SBC BUILD BACK A BETTER BORDERS RECOVERY FUND**

With reference to paragraph 11 of the Minute of 30 June 2021, there had been circulated copies of an application in respect of:-

7.1 **CHEVIOT TOGS**

The Group planned to create a clothing bank for children and young people in the style of a boutique shop located in Teviot Crescent, Hawick. The project would operate across both Cheviot and Teviot and Liddesdale and the application for funding had been split pro rata across the two community funds. The aim of the project was to reduce the amount of good Quality clothing going to land fill while helping those in need of support with clothing for children and young people and reducing the stigma of second hand clothing. The group

would provide free, clean and suitable clothing to children who found themselves in need of clothing due to domestic violence, flood or fire, homelessness or financial difficulties facing the family. Clothing was sourced by donations, and partner organisations. Jedburgh Grammar had asked Cheviot Togs to manage all excess school uniforms and there were plans to engage with Kelso and Hawick high schools, as well as working with local supermarkets and shops to use excess stock. Clothing would be provide via delivery and in person at the Hawick base if people are able to travel, as well as pop up shops, and events within Cheviot pending setting a base up in Jedburgh and Kelso.

- 7.2 Cheviot Togs had worked with and consulted to establish need with a wide range of organisations including NHS Borders, Jedburgh Grammar Campus, School Nurse Hawick High School, Morrisons, Live Borders, Salvation Army, Borders Women's Aid, local community councils and Tweed Togs in Peebles who mentor the project and whom Cheviot Togs based the business model on. There was a referral process based on the operation of best practice used by Tweed Togs, through health, youth workers and education professionals and the organisation were keen to look at a mechanism for self-referral considering the dignity and confidentiality of the people using the service. The organisation believed that access to clothing was a human right and all children should have access to clean, appropriate clothes to help them participate fully in life and wanted to provide autonomy, choice and dignity wherever possible. Cheviot Togs, although based in Hawick, would be taking over the service in Jedburgh and Kelso areas, currently operated by Tweed Togs, from January, covering a greater area of the Cheviot locality.

DECISION

AGREED to award the sum of £2,227.50, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The applicant must follow Scottish Government Covid-19 guidance when delivering the service;**
- (ii) Moveable equipment should be passed to another community group/organisation should this project cease to operate.**

8.0 Edgerston Village Hall

- 8.1 Christine Wylie, Village Hall Secretary was present to update the Area Partnership on Edgerston Echoes. The book, two decades in the making, charted the stories and memories of rural residents living south of Jedburgh from the 1900s to the present day. The 210 page book was a collection of memories, historical and more recent stories together with more than 150 photographs of Edgerston folk, events and places over the years, as well as entries from old record books and diaries. Originally intended as a Millennium project, work began gathering contributions for the book in 1997. The original deadline was missed, however, the coronavirus lockdown proved the catalyst needed to push the publication over the finish line. Christine and past secretary Marion Anderson spent last summer updating the pages before it was edited and published by Jedburgh firm footprint.

9.0 DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Future Meetings of the Cheviot Area Partnership would be held on the following dates:

Wednesday, 29 June 2022

The next meeting would be held on **Wednesday, 23 March 2022 at 6.30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams.**

10.0 **MEETING EVALUATION**

Ms Malster reminded those present about the meeting evaluation form which could be accessed via the link <https://forms.office.com/r/HHH1dEcmz3> and was available until 11.45 p.m. on 29 November 2021. She added that feedback about the Area Partnership meetings was really helpful and always appreciated.

CHAIRMAN

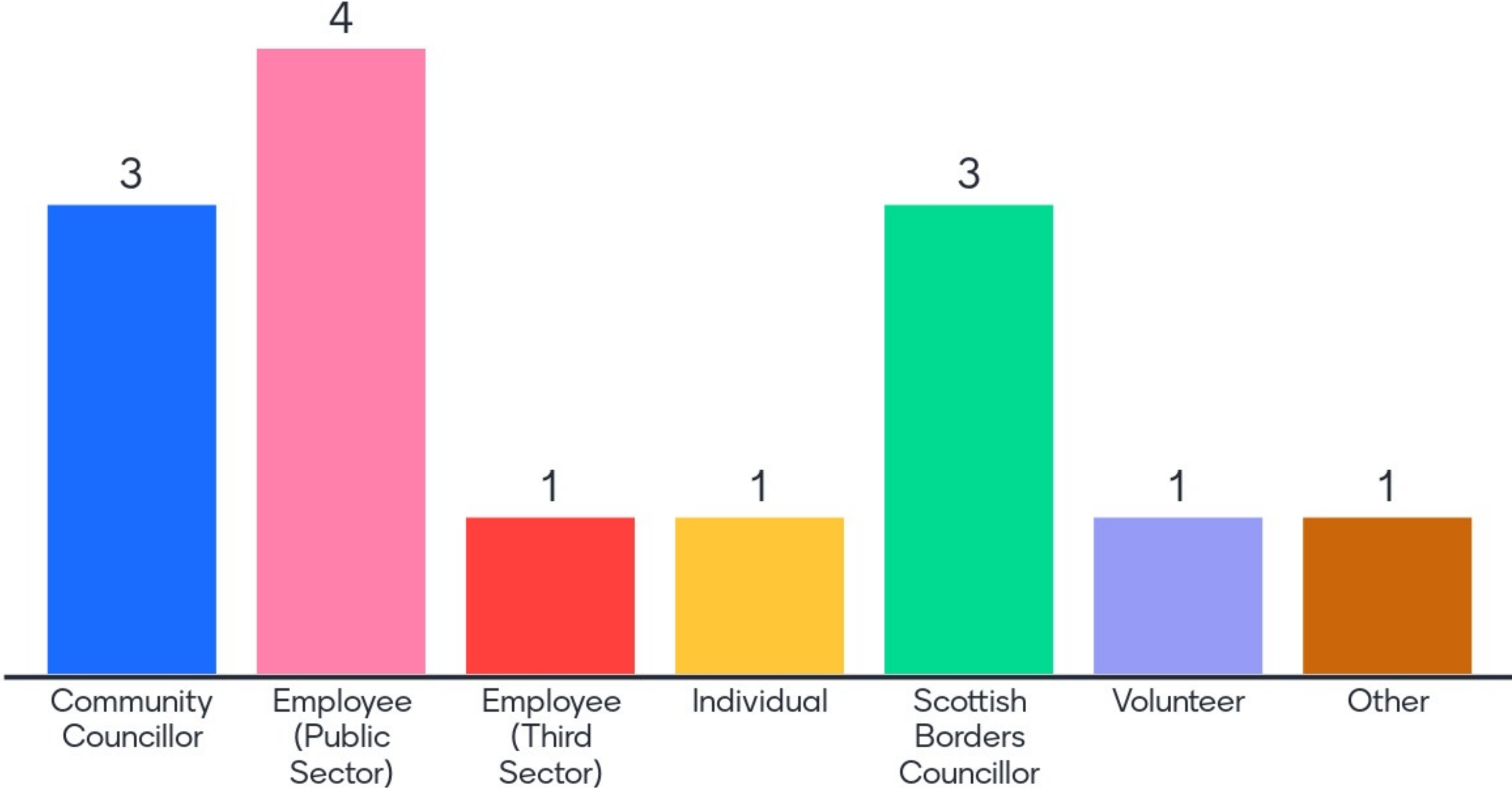
The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

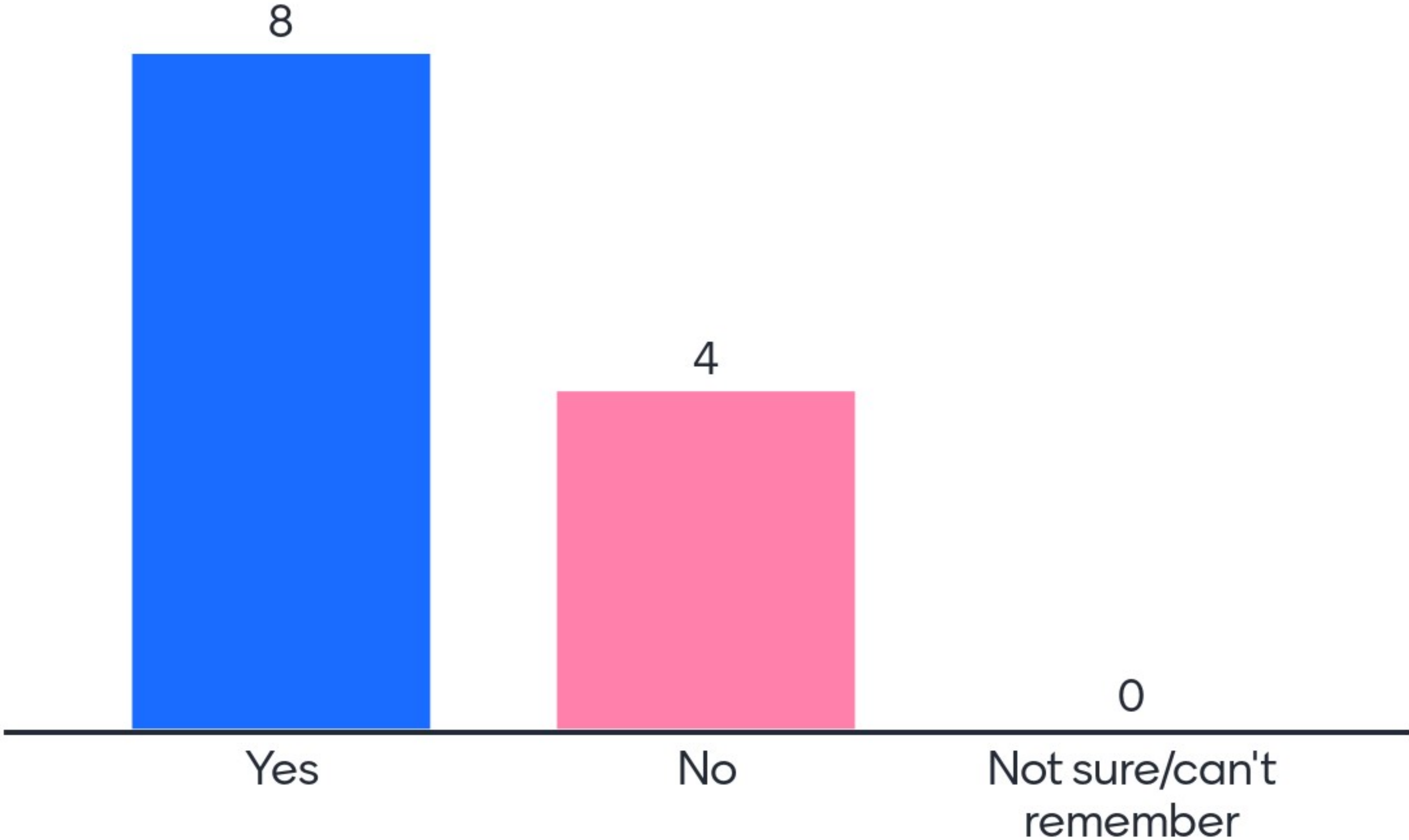
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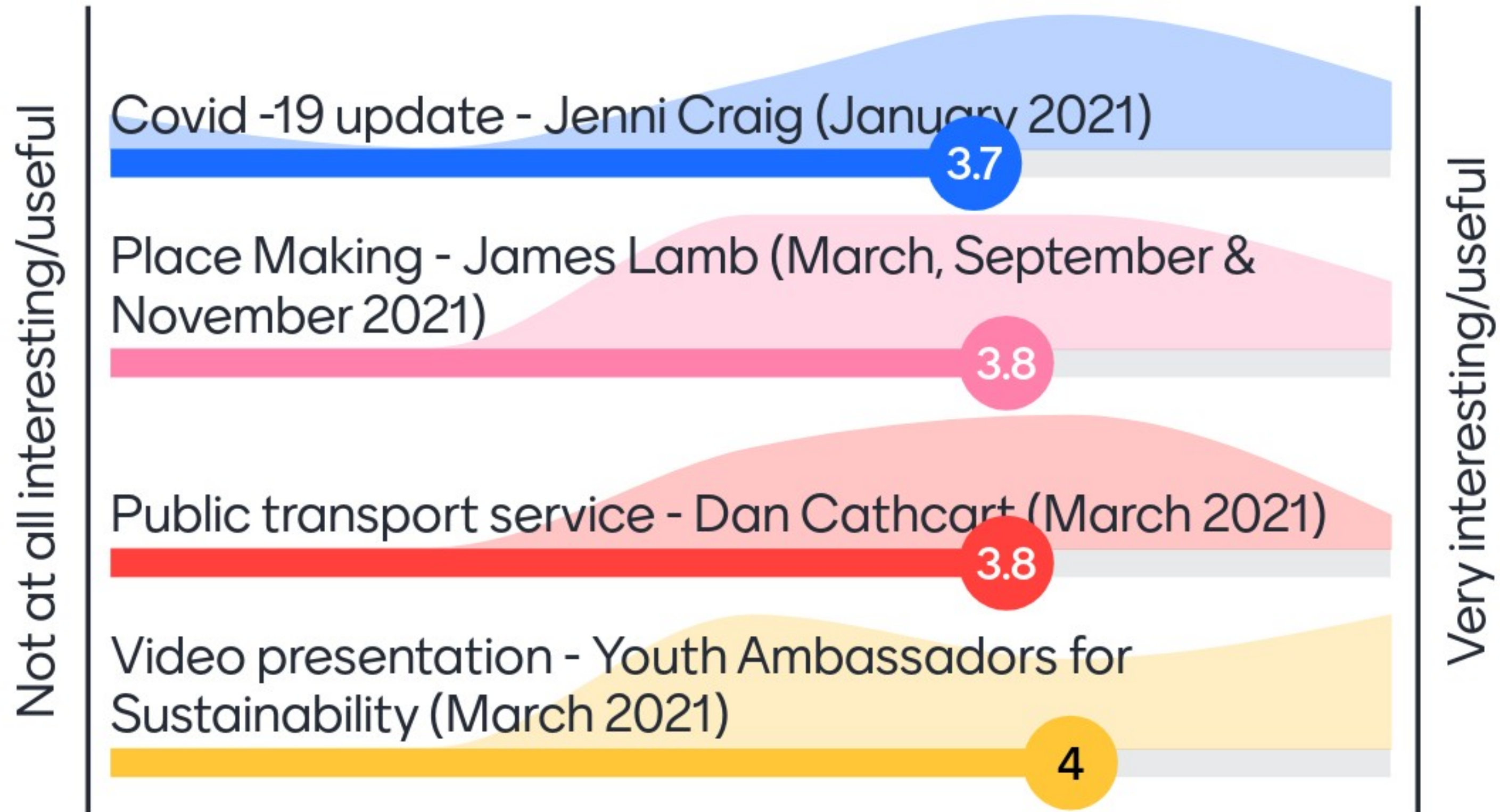
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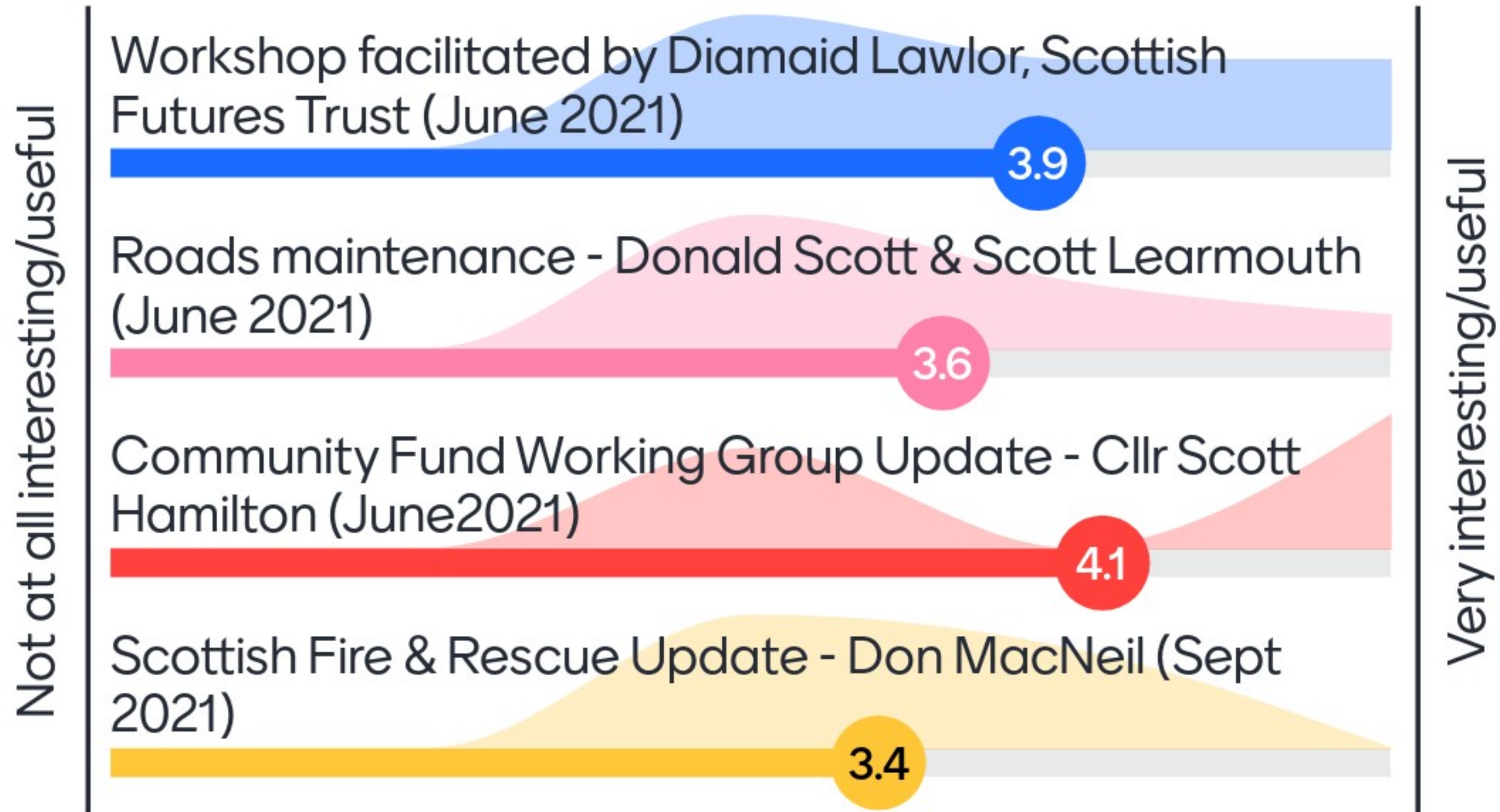
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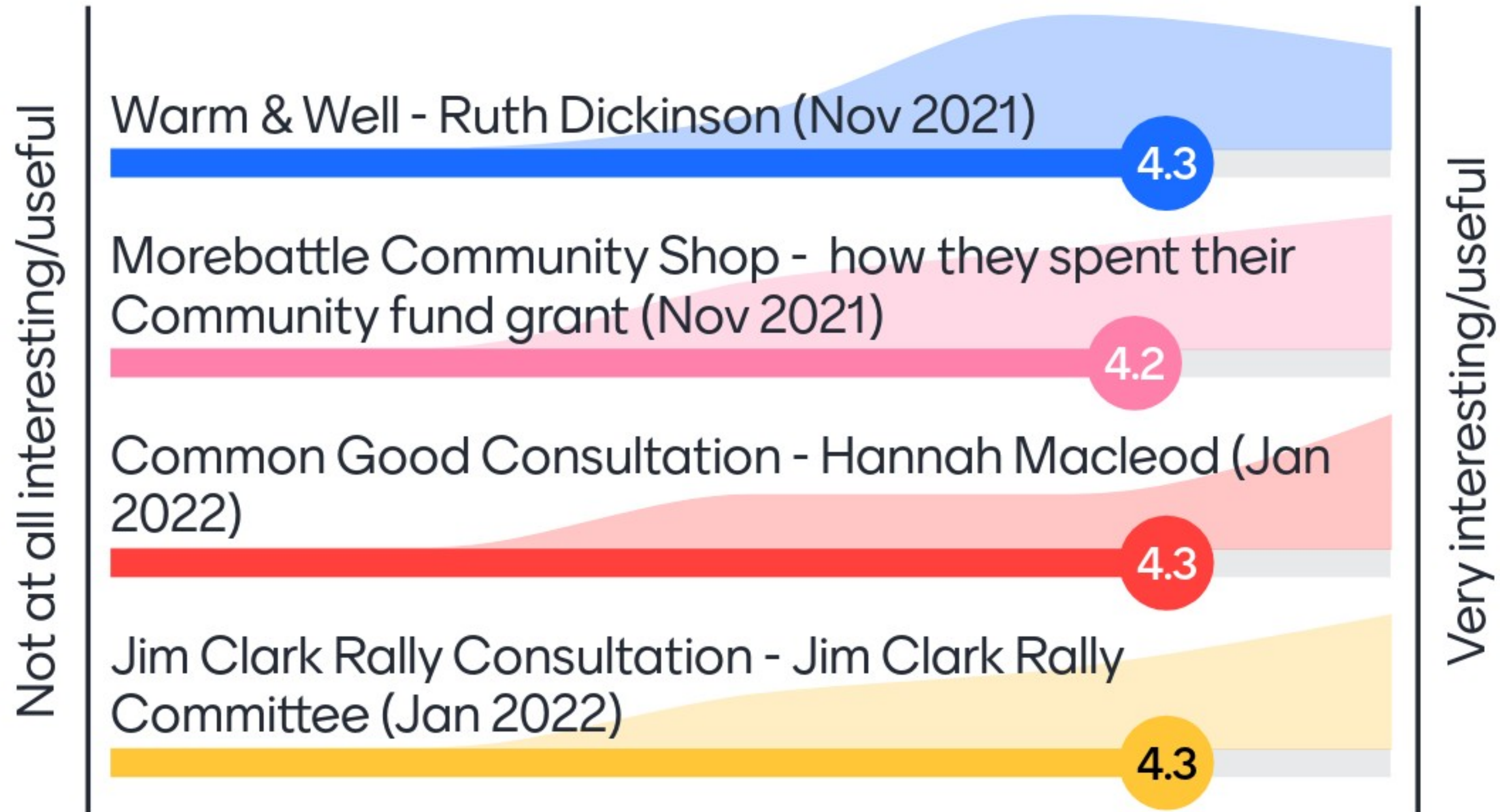
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Is there anything that you would like to hear about at a future meeting?

Excellent idea for feedback

20mph speed limits

Nothing to add

PB

Engagement strategies for engaging the disengaged

1% participatory budgeting

More from young people. More on how people and communities are working on tackling the climate emergency

Something around current grant funding streamers availability and what efforts re being made to raise awareness among wider community especially hard to reach groups

SBCs plans for participatory budgeting would be intresting to hear about.

Do you have any further comments or questions?

No

We will circulate the link to this evaluation after the meeting for those that haven't been able to complete it tonight.

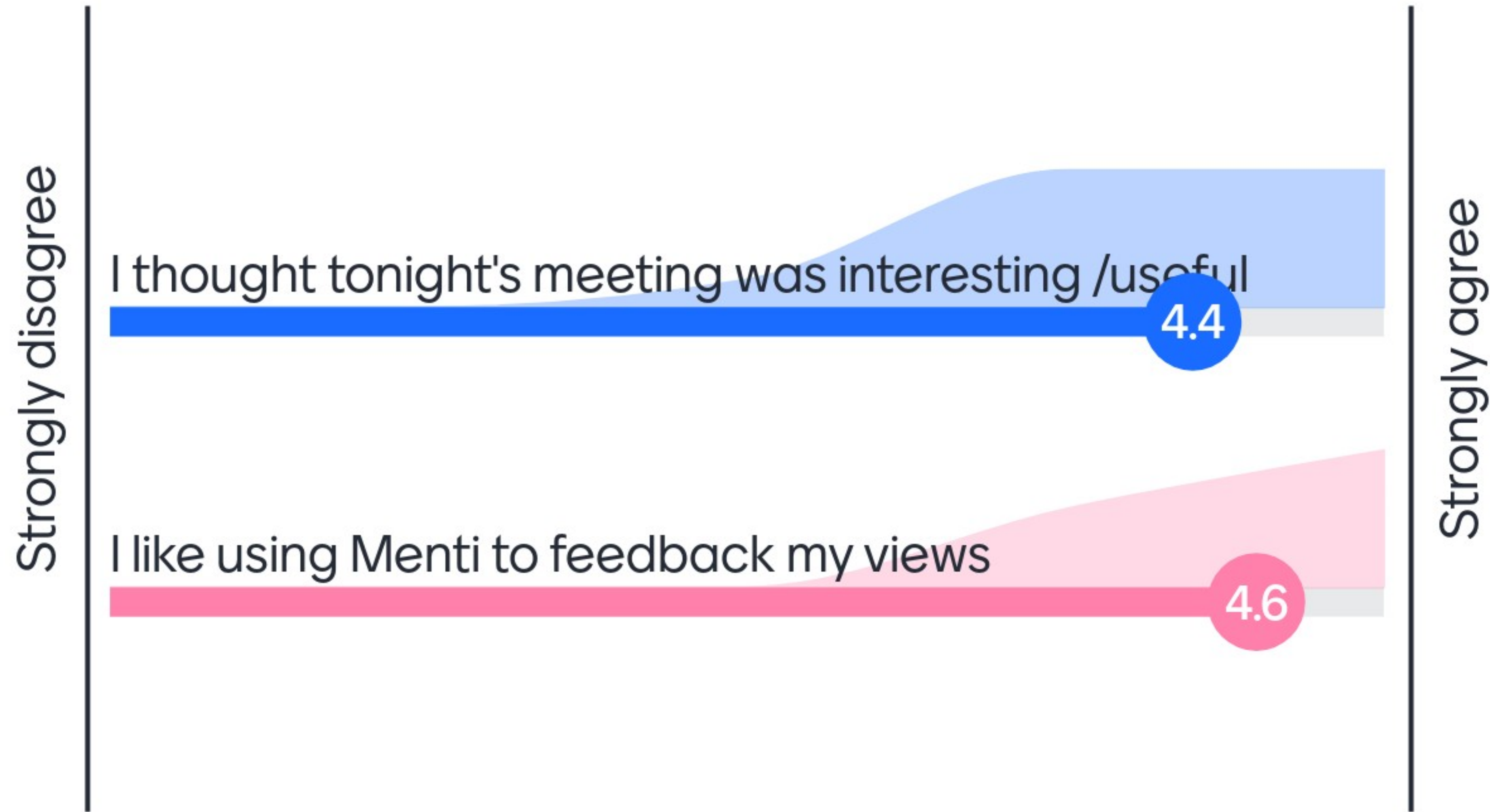


Cheviot Area Partnership Evaluation

26/01/2022



Please use the sliders below to choose whether you agree or disagree with the following statements



Do you have any further questions or comments?

Good tool

Works really well for quick comments

No

Thank you for your comments we look forward to seeing you on 23 March 2022



Cheviot Funding Tables 2021/2022

23 March 2022

Community Fund 2021/2022		Build Back a Better Borders	
	£		£
Opening balance as of 01/04/2021 (£276k split per head of population)	£ 46,551.00	Opening balance as of 01/06/2021 (£500k split 80%/20% per head of population and S.I.M.D.)	£ 79,926.00
Plus 50% of available Local Festival Grant budget	£ 8,337.50		
Total available	£ 54,888.50	Total available	£ 79,926.00
Less:		Less:	
Community Fund & Community Fund Fast Track applications awarded since 01/04/2021	£ 17,098.20	Build Back a Better Borders Recovery Fund applications awarded since 01/06/2021	£ 46,257.70
Community Fund & Community Fund Fast Track applications that are assessed and await decision	£ 11,536.43	Build Back a Better Borders Recovery Fund applications that are assessed and await decision	£ 29,223.00
Sub-total	£ 28,634.63	Sub-total	£ 75,480.70
Funds remaining if assessed applications are successful	£ 26,253.87	Funds remaining if assessed applications are successful	£ 4,445.30
Community Fund & Community Fund Fast Track applications still to be assessed	£ 1,000.00	Build Back a Better Borders Recovery Fund applications still to be assessed	£ -
Potential Overall Position	£ 25,253.87	Potential Overall Position	£ 4,445.30

Summary of all applications						
No.	Date	Fund	Organisation Name	Amount	Project	Status
1	15/06/21	BBBB Fund	Roxburgh & Berwickshire CAB	£ 2,197.60	Staff costs	Awarded
2	24/06/21	BBBB Fund	One Step Borders	£ 585.00	Staff costs - Volunteer Coordinator	Awarded
3	23/07/21	BBBB Fund	Cheviot Youth	£ 13,433.40	Refurb of new base	Awarded
4	29/07/21	BBBB Fund	Morebattle Community Shop	£ 2,668.00	Volunteer Co-ordinator	Awarded
5	30/07/21	BBBB Fund	Queen's House	£ 6,885.00	Volunteer Co-ordinator costs & laptops	Awarded
6	15/08/21	BBBB Fund	Ancrum Community Council	£ 1,045.00	Development of Go Gardening project	Awarded
7	24/08/21	BBBB Fund	Jed Thistle Rugby Club	£ 15,000.00	Contribution to costs of new purpose built extension	Assessed
8	21/09/21	BBBB Fund	Border Group RDA	£ 10,350.00	Costs associated with two new programmes	Awarded
9	13/10/21	BBBB Fund	Kelso Orchard Tennis Club	£ 3,959.00	Cost associated with introducing new sessions	Awarded
10	26/10/21	BBBB Fund	Jedburgh Hearts Here	£ 2,907.00	Cabinets for defibrillators and training equipment	Awarded
11	11/10/21	Community Fund	St Boswells Parish Community Council	£ 1,928.00	Planters, plants and compost for bus terminal	Awarded
12	13/10/21	Community Fund	Kelso Orchard Tennis Club	£ 2,500.00	Clubhouse renovation project	Awarded
13	18/10/21	Community Fund	QME Care	£ 1,800.00	Digital inclusion & activities project	Awarded
14	18/10/21	Community Fund	Kalewater Community Company	£ 2,030.00	Legal fees for land acquisition	Awarded
15	15/12/21	BBBB Fund	Cheviot Togs	£ 2,227.50	Clothing bank	Awarded
16	10/11/21	Community Fund	Sprouston Community Council	£ 366.00	Noticeboard	Awarded
17	24/11/21	Community Fund	Jedburgh Community Trust	£ 1,798.20	Preservation of Capon Tree	Awarded
18	30/11/21	Community Fund	St Boswells SWI	£ 430.00	Hall fees and craft materials	Awarded
19	01/12/21	Community Fund	Crailing, Eckford & Nisbet Community Council	£ 1,026.00	Painting of adopted phone boxes	Awarded
20	03/12/21	Community Fund	Tweed Valley Railway Campaign	£ 2,500.00	Community engagement costs	Awarded
21	07/12/21	Community Fund	Makerstoun Village Hall	£ 220.00	Replacement defib pads	Awarded
22	16/12/21	Community Fund	Morebattle Institute	£ 2,500.00	Contribution to roof replacement costs	Awarded
23	07/02/2022	Community Fund	Well Road Productions	£ 2,500.00	Music Publication	Assessed
24	07/02/2022	Community Fund	Broomlands Primary School Parent Council	£ 2,500.00	Playground	Assessed
25	07/02/2022	Community Fund	Yetholm History Society	£ 500.00	Signage	Assessing
26	11/02/2022	Community Fund	Jed Lunch Club (Jed Thistle RFC)	£ 500.00	Lunch Club	Assessing
27	14/02/2022	Community Fund	Yetholm Community Shop	£ 2,500.00	Community Shop	Assessed
	16/02/2022	BBBB Fund	Archaeology Scotland	£ 8,850.00	Educational Summer School	Assessed
	16/02/2022	BBBB Fund	Bodyzone Gym	£ 5,373.00	Gym equipment	Assessed
28	21/02/2022	Community Fund	Live Learn Earn	£ 2,340.00	Workshops with YP	Assessed
29	11/02/2022	Community Fund	Borders Talking Newspaper	£ 893.25	USB player kit	Assessed
30	23/02/2022	Community Fund	St Boswells Golf Club	£ 803.18	Loft insulation	Assessed
				Total	£105,115.33	

Other sources of grant funding - Cheviot

Grant Type	Available	Awarded	Remaining
Local Festival Grants	£ 8,337.50	£ 5,384.50	£ 2,953.00
Annual Support Grants (Community Councils)	£ 10,470.00	£ 8,040.00	£ 2,430.00
Village Halls (including Secretariat fee paid to the Bridge)	£ 9,140.00	£ 9,140.00	£ -
SBC Small Schemes	£ 34,700.00	£ 34,700.00	£ -
Common Good - Jedburgh	£ 7,900.00	£ 6,600.00	£ 1,240.00
Common Good - Kelso	£ 3,000.00	£ 2,400.00	£ 600.00
SBC Enhancement Trust	£ 100.52	£ -	£ 100.52
SBC Welfare Trust	£ 2,890.65	£ 1,739.60	£ 1,151.05
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9	03/12/21	Community Fund	Tweed Valley Railway Campaign	£ 2,500.00	Community engagement costs	Awarded
10	07/12/21	Community Fund	Makerstoun Village Hall	£ 220.00	Replacement defib pads	Awarded
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Breakdown of other support grants top sliced from the Community Fund - Cheviot			
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	£ 19,610.00	£ 17,180.00	£ 2,430.00

*£1,170 of this will not be awarded this year due to CC reserves being too high or the

Additional community council support costs are:

Insurance: £1,178.37

Hall hire reimbursement: £50

Data Protection registration: £600

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CHEVIOT COMMUNITY FUND ASSESSMENT PANEL

This report sets out the recommendations of the Panel for consideration by the Cheviot Area Partnership. The report provides a brief description of each application considered and highlights key factors that influenced the decision reached by the Panel.

Well Road Productions – Well Road Production Series

An application was received for the printing of booklet of scripts. Half of these books would go into Cheviot Area Schools and the other half into general sale with income generated used to print additional copies. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were:

- Established group with a good record of delivering projects
- Educational benefit
- Preservation of local history/heritage

The Panel recommend awarding £2,500.00

Broomlands Primary School Parent Council – Project Playground

An application was received for purchase and installation of playground equipment. The Panel were supportive of the project. The key points influencing the Panel's decision were:

- Health and Wellbeing
- School children driven
- Community benefit

The Panel recommend awarding £2,500.00

This is subject to the parent Council being able to show they can meet the shortfall in delivering the project.

Borders Talking Newspaper

An application was received for the purchase portable USB Memory Stick Players. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were:

- Well established and organised charity
- Clear demand for the service
- Clear benefit to service users

The Panel recommend awarding £893.25

Yetholm Community Shop Ltd - Refurbishment

An application was received for the replacement of a damaged canopy and outside lighting. A discussion took place as not all the panel felt this was the best use of public funds as those people felt it was more for aesthetics than any community need. After discussions, the majority were in support as they were trying to benefit the community and the fund had money available. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were:

- Community driven
- Shopfront improvement

The Panel recommend awarding £2,500.00

This was subject to the group demonstrating why they could not claim to their insurance company for storm damage to the existing canopy.

Live Learn Earn – Jedburgh Community Arts Project

An application was received to provide workshop sessions that teach practical skills to young people. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were:

- Community benefit
- Educational benefit

The Panel recommend awarding £2,340.00

St Boswells Gold Club – Insulation

An application was received for the supply of insulation. Some discussion took place on how the club was run and although it was a private members club it was a not-for-profit club. The Panel were supportive of the project and the key points influencing the Panel's decision were:

- Increase use of club
- Environmental benefit

The Panel recommend awarding £803.18

Subject to the club demonstrating why they cannot use the funds available in their accounts.

D Weatherston, on behalf of Cheviot Area Assessment Panel, 03/03/2022

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Medium – provides acceptable examples of how the project will assist recovery from the pandemic

Low – lacks detail of how the project will assist recovery from the pandemic

1. Applicant Details

Organisation name	Jed Thistle Rugby Football Club					
Organisation structure	Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO)					
Application reference	BBBB/CHE/09					
Theme of application	Sport	Arts & culture	Environment	Community capacity	Community resilience	Intergenerational activity
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Project start date	April 2022			Project end date	October 2022	

2. Organisation's Finances

End of year balance	£25,027.34
Current bank balance	£38,177.53
Total cash/Unrestricted reserves available & purpose	£24,769.12
Total restricted /committed funds & purpose	<p>£10,900</p> <p>The £10,900 restricted funds is made up of the £9,900 and £1,000 received from the National Lottery and The Arnold Clark Foundation respectively towards the extension project. There is also £3,200 pledged from ClubSport Roxburgh which has yet to be drawn down.</p> <p>Jed Thistle Rugby Football Club (the Club) has successfully built up its funds over the last few years to contribute to the proposed extension. However, it normally takes about £15 - £20K per season to run the club, so it is important that some funds in reserve to cover any unforeseen circumstances.</p> <p>The major financial impact due to COVID has been that the Club was unable to hire out the Hall to other user Groups since lockdown in March 2020. This has seen a</p>

	drop in net income of approximately £2,400 compared to the previous season.
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3. Project:

Outline of what the group plan to do to help people recover from the pandemic. Projects will be ranked higher if the application strongly demonstrates that they are meeting an identified need in the community. (e.g. area of deprivation, protected characteristics, tackling wellbeing and isolation, tackling climate change)

High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
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Comment:

To help young people Get Fit For The Future the Club is seeking funding like to build a multi-purpose extension onto the side of the current premises. The building is now 30 years old and requires a general upgrade including additional windows and insulation for comfort and sustainability, as well as improving its cosmetic appearance. Currently all tables and chairs have to be stored round the sides of the main hall, while all large equipment and scrummage machine are stored in an old container at the far end of the pitch. The extension will provide a fitness area for the players to train indoors during poor weather- helping to keep their fitness schedules up to scratch, and allowing the Club to continue with activities throughout the winter months.

The extension will also provide be new storage space for user groups as well as our equipment and a more comfortable, lighter environment in the main hall for all users.

The Club owns the premises and have also purchased the additional land needed for the extension. All preparatory costs will be met from Club funds. Full planning permission is in place.

The total estimated project cost is £92,000 although some labour costs will be reduced by utilising skills of club members. As it has not been possible to identify to identify a single funder a package of funding is being sought. The Club is applying to the Build Back a Better Borders Recovery Fund for a contribution towards the cost of building materials.

The improvements will provide more space for activities in the extension and main hall. A light and airy environment with additional windows and patio doors will make it easier to move between the indoor space to a new terrace looking out on to Lothian Park.

With the focus now on more space and better ventilation, this project will deliver for all whatever the weather, and whatever happens with the pandemic into the future.

Evidence of individuals, groups or communities likely to benefit from the new initiative and how they have been affected by the pandemic:

High <input type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
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Comment:

Jed Thistle Rugby Football Club caters primarily for young people between the ages of 14 and 18 (52 players at present) and a further 40 in their Touch Rugby summer programme. Activities are open to all young people without discrimination and the Club welcomes both male and female players.

The Club has been in existence since 1931 and has been supported entirely by volunteers as management committee members, coaches, child protection and welfare officers.

The additional space will also enhance the attractiveness of the premises to other user-groups within the local district. Large car parking facilities are available adjacent to the, wheelchair access and disabled facilities (including toilets) are available within the premises.

The Jed Thistle RFC use the premises two nights a week plus fortnightly during the season. Local groups who regularly use the premises include Jedburgh Pensioners Lunch Club, Jedburgh Toddlers Group, Jethart Callant's Festival, Jedburgh Ladies Group, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service community outreach and the South of Scotland Semi-Junior League. Regular users of the clubrooms have feedback that the lack of storage for equipment and not having the Main Hall clear of obstructions for physical activities impacts on their use of the space. Before Covid the space was being used by local organisations 2-3 times a week. The new space would make the facility more attractive and increase the number of bookings. Booking income was increasing year on year pre Covid with income during 2018/19 being £2,900 rising to £3,440 in 2019/20.

Expected impact of the new initiative and how will it help those most in need recover from the pandemic

High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
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Comment:

It is estimated that over 200 people will benefit on a regular basis from the extension and upgrade to the facilities, with a significant additional number on an ad hoc basis.

Jedburgh has recently seen two main employers in the town close and move their business elsewhere, creating a lot of uncertainty. Creation of a new space will provide an important social hub for the whole community as well as enabling the Club to support more players. From the Club's U-16 and U-18 players' perspective they consider their:

Financial Welfare

1. All players and committee are provided with a hot meal after playing a match, as well as energy drinks and energy bars after training
2. If players are struggling to afford kit or go on a tour, a discretionary fund is able to provide assistance

Emotional Wellbeing & Relationships

1. Players are encouraged to speak with their teammates and opposition in the Main Hall after training and matches. Players tend to form a protective bond with one another and support those with problems
2. The Club has a trained Child Protection Officer who is also trained in Mental Health Awareness. Their job is to get to know the players and their backgrounds, any issues are reported to them.

Education and Work Pathways

1. Local employers looking for youngsters often ask the Club if there is anyone they would recommend for an opening, especially apprenticeships.
2. Players already in work pass on information about what they do to those seeking employment, should a vacancy arise.
3. Trustees are able to support members develop their interests.

The enhanced facilities will strengthen a vital support mechanism for the town and surrounding district.

4. Project Expenditure:

Total Project Cost	£35,745.41
10% organisation contribution and match funding	£20,745.41
Request to BBBB	£15,000

Item of expenditure	Cost
Building materials (detailed quotes provided)	£35,745.41
	£
	£
	£
	£

Match/other funding sought:

Funder	Funding Requested	Status
National Lottery	£9,900	Awarded
Arnold Clark Foundation	£1,000	Awarded
ClubSport Roxburgh	£3,200	Agreed – to be drawn down
Bank of Scotland Foundation	£25,000	Unsuccessful
Weir Trust	£25,000	Unsuccessful
Virador (Stage 2)	£36,000 (award max 50%)	Awaiting decision

Grants received from Scottish Borders Council or any other funder within the last three years

Date	Project Title	Amount
04/02/2020	Scottish Rugby Union – disabled toilets	£2,000
25/09/2020	ClubSport Roxburgh	£1,770
		£
		£
		£

SBC OFFICER ASSESSMENT	The application does not currently meet the criteria of the BBBB fund as although it is hoped that the work will be completed within six months additional time has been built in as a contingency.
Comments	The application has scored medium/high as it addresses three key aims of the Fund, these being sport, community capacity and community resilience. The extended premises will enable the Club to build on the support it provides to young people as well as the wider community as part of the recovery from Covid.
Additional terms and conditions required	The applicant must follow Scottish Government Covid-19 guidance.
Evaluation	The project evaluation should include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of groups using the new space • Number of new players recruited • Feedback from club members, players and community groups

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1. Applicant Details

Organisation name	Archaeology Scotland					
Organisation structure	Scottish Registered Charity SC001723					
Application reference	BBBB-CHE-16					
Theme of application	Sport	Arts & culture	Environment	Community capacity	Community resilience	Intergenerational activity
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Project start date	01/04/2022			Project end date	23/09/2022	

2. Organisation's Finances

End of year balance	£68,3546
Current bank balance	£18,0266
Total cash/Unrestricted reserves available & purpose	£30,179 Unrestricted reserves represent less than 6 months running costs
Total restricted /committed funds & purpose	£81,536 to be spent in 2021-22/23 on projects delayed due to Covid-19

3. Project:

Outline of what the group plan to do to help people recover from the pandemic. Projects will be ranked higher if the application strongly demonstrates that they are meeting an identified need in the community. (e.g. area of deprivation, protected characteristics, tackling wellbeing and isolation, tackling climate change)

High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>This is an intergenerational partnership project focussing on the Cheviot area which will be led by Archaeology Scotland working in partnership with Kelso High School and the Community Learning and Development Service, Youth Learning Team.</p> <p>The Archaeology Scotland Learning Team will deliver the project, supported by staff from the Community Learning and Development Service and volunteers from the local community.</p>		

Archaeology Scotland will involve local community organisations in delivery including Kelso Heritage Society and the Local Area Coordinators team. Sessions will be delivered in school and community settings with the majority of activities taking place outdoors, exploring local heritage

The initiative will target two groups within the community. Young people who have been identified by Kelso High School as being at risk of disengaging with mainstream education, and isolated older adults in the community. Although these groups differ greatly in age, they have many things in common. Both groups have suffered disproportionately as a result of the pandemic, experiencing reduced access to support services, increased feelings of social isolation and negative impacts on health, wellbeing and confidence.

The workshops will explore the heritage of Kelso, offering an opportunity to share experiences and stories across generations. Archaeology Scotland have found through many heritage projects that an improved understanding and sense of place has a positive impact on participants, engendering a feeling of belonging.

Evidence of individuals, groups or communities likely to <u>benefit</u> from the new initiative and how they have been affected by the pandemic:		
High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Comment:</p> <p>The Covid-19 pandemic has had a huge impact on young people's learning and wellbeing, as evidenced by numerous surveys over the past 18 months, including studies carried out by Young Scot, Youth Link Scotland and the Children's Parliament.</p> <p>Key impacts highlighted by young people in these reports include increased issues around social isolation, mental health, anxiety, loss of learning and future employment prospects.</p> <p>The World Health Organisation recognises that Covid-19 is also having an impact on the lives of older people in our communities, changing their daily routines, the care and support they receive and their ability to stay socially connected.</p> <p>Archaeology Scotland know from experience and delivering programmes across Scotland, that archaeology courses can help young people get back on a positive pathway and our broader community archaeology projects have helped older members of the community connect with each other, getting outdoors and staying active</p>		

Expected <u>impact</u> of the new initiative and how will it help those most in need recover from the pandemic		
High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Comment:</p> <p>The small group workshops with hands-on, engaging activities are designed to re-build confidence and enthusiasm for learning.</p> <p>During the ten sessions young people will acquire knowledge across many curriculum areas including Languages, Mathematics, Social Studies and Sciences. They will learn new job-specific skills such as surveying and historic building recording while developing the</p>		

transferable meta-skills which underpin archaeology and help create adaptive, confident learners.

Skills development is an important part of any Attainment through Archaeology programme and by creating a learning environment where skills are routinely discussed and recorded, Archaeology Scotland help young people understand, recognise and articulate their personal skills development pathways.

In November 2021, Archaeology Scotland surveyed 50 S1–S6 pupils from the Scottish Borders who had participated in Attainment through Archaeology workshops. 90% said they had learned new skills with 78% being able to identify those skills.

4. Project Expenditure:

Total Project Cost	£9,500
10% organisation contribution	£950
Request to BBBB	£8,550

Item of expenditure	Cost
Staff time & travel –project development & Delivery	£6,750
Creative Practitioner – 3 days & equipment	£1,000
Resources, materials & participants equipment	£750
Food, drink, venue hire & travel costs	£1,000

Match/other funding sought:

Funder	Funding Requested	Status
	£	
	£	
	£	

Grants received from Scottish Borders Council or any other funder within the last three years

Date	Project Title	Amount
16.02.2017	Stobs Camp	£77,502
January 2017	Stobs Camp	£47,530
13.12.2021	12 Towers of Rule	£66,828
		£

SBC OFFICER ASSESSMENT	The application meets the criteria of the BBBB fund
Comments	The application scores high because they have identified a unique intergenerational project that both groups benefit from and have a track record of delivering similar projects
Additional terms and conditions required	The applicant must follow all Scottish Government COVID-19 guidance.
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number and age range of participants • Feedback from participants

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A record of the journey that both groups experienced
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Cheviot Area Partnership 23 March 2022

Additional Information

Current consultations

- [Common Good consultation 2022](#)

Following an investigation of the assets held by Scottish Borders Council, we have prepared a draft asset register for each former Burgh. We have considered title deeds (for land and buildings), museum records and old Burgh minutes. Where an asset was donated to the town, prior to 1975; where it was purchased from Common Good funds; or where it has historically been used by the people of the town as a public asset, we have determined that the asset should form part of the Common Good.

Scottish Borders Council is seeking views on whether there are any additional assets that should be included in the draft asset registers that have been produced.

Closes 31 March 2022

- [Tweedbank to Eyemouth Active Travel Route](#)

Scottish Borders Council has received funding from the South of Scotland Enterprise for a feasibility study of a new 53km active travel route between the existing Tweedbank Railway Station and the new Reston Station Scottish Borders.

The route is to be based generally on the alignment of the former railway line that originally linked the stations and runs through the heart of the region connecting towns and villages such as Earlston, Greenlaw, Duns and Chirside.

Closes 31 March

- [Kerbside Waste and Recycling 2022](#)

Scottish Borders Council is committed to reducing its impact on the environment, and providing services which are fit for the future. We can all play our part to reduce the impact on the environment by the way in which we deal with the waste we produce.

The Council would like to gather information on how residents deal with their household waste, find out what you think of the Council's kerbside collection services and gather any suggestions you may have on how we can improve our services.

Feedback received from this survey will be considered along with the Council's statutory duties, financial constraints and priorities.

Closes 5 April 2022

Community Empowerment:

One formal Borderswide Participation Request has been received. No new expressions of interest have been expressed regarding asset transfers on land and buildings in the Cheviot area.

For information about the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015: [Parts of the Act | Community Empowerment \(Scotland\) Act 2015 | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

[Community Ownership Support Service](#)

Community Funding

[Cheviot Community Fund](#)

[Queens Platinum Jubilee Fund](#)

[Community Enhancement Trust](#) and [Community Welfare Trust](#)

<https://fundingscotland.com/>

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/>

[Community grants and funding | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

Area Partnerships' information pack:

[Cheviot Area Partnership | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

[Community engagement, planning and ownership | Area Partnership information pack | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

Connecting Borders

Digital inclusion project which supports vulnerable families to get online. [Connecting Borders](#)

Co-production week Scotland

[Co-production Week Scotland](#) have launched a co-production animation.

Their [short animation](#) explains co-production in a fun and clear way. It's been developed by the Scottish Co-production Network team, building on how we talk about co-production and explain it to others.

Explaining co-production isn't always easy, but using clear language to help people understand it is a big part of getting co-production right.

No definition is perfect, but we hope it will act as a helpful starting point to spark discussion, ideas and debate on what co-production means to you and the people you work with.

Community Councils:

Scottish Community Councils Latest News, including information about funding opportunities and national consultations.

[Community Council News](#)

Scottish Borders Council Meetings

[Browse meetings - Scottish Borders Council - Scottish Borders Council \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)

Covid-19:

www.scotborders.gov.uk/coronavirus

Community Testing:

www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/community-testing/

Covid-19 vaccination programme

www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/covid-19-vaccination-programme/

NHS Borders website for current updates:

<http://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/coronavirus/>

Business support

<https://www.scotborders.gov.uk/covid19business>

<https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/>

Debt Advice:

[Citizens Advice Bureau](#)



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NHS Money Worries App – download from Google Play or the App Store

Heating & energy:

www.scotborders.gov.uk/affordablewarmth

Energy Price cap increase [Why are energy bills going up? - Energy Saving Trust](#)

NHS Borders Wellbeing Service:

<http://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/our-services/general-services/wellbeing-service/>

NHS Borders Wellbeing Point:

www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/wellbeingpoint

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