

A BLENDED MEETING of the SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL will be held IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, NEWTOWN ST. BOSWELLS AND VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS on THURSDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 2022 at 10.00 AM. Members may attend either in person or online.

All Attendees, including members of the public, should note that the public business in this meeting will be livestreamed and video recorded and that recording will be available thereafter for public view for 180 days.

J. J. WILKINSON,
Clerk to the Council,
18 August 2022

BUSINESS		
1.	Convener's Remarks.	
2.	Apologies for Absence.	
3.	Order of Business.	
4.	Declarations of Interest.	
5.	Minute (Pages 5 - 30) Consider Minutes of Scottish Borders Council held on 23 June and 12 July 2022 for approval and signing by the Convener. (Copies attached.)	2 mins
6.	Committee Minutes Consider Minutes of the following Committees:- (a) Hawick Common Good Fund 7 June 2022 (b) Chambers Institution Trust 8 June 2022 (c) Peebles Common Good Fund 8 June 2022 (d) Audit & Scrutiny 9 June 2022 (e) Berwickshire Area Partnership 9 June 2022 (f) Police, Fire & Rescue and Safer Communities Board 10 June 2022 (g) Planning & Building Standards 13 June 2022 (h) Jedburgh Common Good Fund 13 June 2022 (i) Executive 14 June 2022 (j) Community Planning Strategic Board 16 June 2022 (k) Local Review Body 20 June 2022 (l) Kelso Common Good Fund 21 June 2022	5 mins

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7.	<p>Anti-Poverty Strategy - Cost of Living Support (Pages 31 - 42)</p> <p>Consider report by Director Resilient Communities. (Copy attached.)</p>	20 mins
8.	<p>Motion by Councillor Anderson</p> <p>Consider motion by Councillor Anderson in the following terms:-</p> <p>“That Scottish Borders Council calls upon the UK government to act now over the current fuel and energy crisis prior to winter and ensure the costs of the main fuels used come down to an affordable level for all in society. In particular it calls upon the (UK) Government to reinstate the previous cap of £1,277.00 (as of 01.11.21) on home fuel prices.”</p>	5 mins
9.	<p>South of Scotland Cycling Strategy (Pages 43 - 94)</p> <p>Consider report by Director Resilient Communities. (Copy attached.)</p>	20 mins
10.	<p>Membership of the Regional Economic Partnership (Pages 95 - 102)</p> <p>Consider report by Director Resilient Communities. (Copy attached.)</p>	20 mins
11.	<p>National Care Service (Scotland) Bill Consultation Response (Pages 103 - 118)</p> <p>Consider report by Joint Director of Health and Social Care Integration. (Copy attached.)</p>	20 mins
12.	<p>Review Group Update in Connection with Independent Inquiry Action Plan (Pages 119 - 120)</p> <p>Consider briefing paper by Director Education and Lifelong Learning. (Copy attached.)</p>	15 mins
13.	<p>Digital Strategy Update and Overview of Digital Transformation Programme (Pages 121 - 140)</p> <p>Consider report by Director Strategic Commissioning and Partnerships. (Copy attached.)</p>	20 mins
14.	<p>Revised Devolved School Management Scheme (Pages 141 - 172)</p> <p>Consider report by Director Education and Lifelong Learning. (Copy attached.)</p>	10 mins
15.	<p>Scottish Borders Response to the Regional Transport Strategy (Pages</p>	20 mins

	173 - 198) Consider report by Director Infrastructure and Environment. (Copy attached.)	
16.	Licensing of Short Term Lets (Pages 199 - 208) Consider briefing paper by Chief Legal Officer. (Copy attached.)	10 mins
17.	Review of Interim Scheme of Administration (Pages 209 - 288) Consider report by Acting Chief Executive. (Copy attached.)	20 mins
18.	Participation Request from Scottish Borders Community Councils' Network (Pages 289 - 294) Consider report by Director Resilient Communities. (Copy attached.)	10 mins
19.	Protocol on Relationships between Political Groups, Elected Members and Officers (Pages 295 - 308) Consider report by Acting Chief Executive. (Copy attached.)	10 mins
20.	Appointment of a Selection Committee - External Members of Audit Committee (Pages 309 - 312) Consider report by Chief Officer Audit and Risk. (Copy attached.)	5 mins
21.	Appointment to Outside Bodies Consider appointment of a Tweeddale Councillor to the Board of the Tweed Valley Tourism BID.	2 mins
22.	Motion by Councillor Thornton-Nicol Consider Motion by Councillor Thornton-Nicol in the following terms:- "That Scottish Borders Council introduces an additional Elected Member Champion "for The Arts" and appoints Cllr John PatonDay to this role."	5 mins
23.	Remits of Council Champions (Pages 313 - 330) Consider report by Acting Chief Executive. (Copy attached.)	5 mins
24.	Open Questions	15 mins
25.	Any Other Items Previously Circulated	
26.	Any Other Items Which the Convener Decides Are Urgent	
27.	Private Business Before proceeding with the private business, the following motion should be approved:- "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the aforementioned Act."	

28.	Minute (Pages 331 - 336) Consider private Sections of Minutes of Scottish Borders Council held on 23 June and 12 July 2022. (Copies attached.)	1 mins																					
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30.	Emergency Powers Report - Bus Service 101/102 Dumfries to Edinburgh (Pages 337 - 344) Note details of decision taken under Emergency Powers. (Copy attached.)	5 mins																					

NOTES

- Timings given above are only indicative and not intended to inhibit Members' discussions.**
- Members are reminded that, if they have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in any item of business coming before the meeting, that interest should be declared prior to commencement of discussion on that item. Such declaration will be recorded in the Minute of the meeting.**

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