

SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL TWEEDDALE AREA PARTNERSHIP

MINUTES of the Special Meeting of the
TWEEDDALE AREA PARTNERSHIP held in
Council Headquarters, Newtown St.
Boswells on Wednesday, 6 March 2019 at
2.00 p.m.

Present:- Councillors R. Tatler (Chairman), H. Anderson, S. Bell, K. Chapman, S. Haslam, E. Small,
In Attendance:- Neighbourhood Area Manager, Neighbourhood Assistant Area Manager, Democratic Services Team Leader.

1. **NEIGHBOURHOOD SMALL SCHEMES AND QUALITY OF LIFE PROJECTS** With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of 6 February 2019, the Neighbourhood Area Manager proposed the following schemes:-

Location	Proposal	Estimated cost	Budget
Tweedsmuir, Source of the Tweed	The community wish for public information signs to be located at this well-known area of local interest, to resolve a litter problem.	£325	Small Schemes
Eddleston Village hall	Improvements to the surface around the bottle bank, to aid maintenance.	£499	Small Schemes
Peebles, Tweeddale Rovers	Tweeddale Rovers is seeking assistance with the costs of replacement of the pitch lights to more modern/efficient lights. The total estimated costs of the replacement complete with materials and hire of cherry picker/contractors is £6,000.	£5,000	Quality of life and Small Schemes
Upper Tweed Community Council	To replace two obsolete Defibrillators as part of the "Trade Up" programme operated by Scottish HART. The units are located at the Junction of A701/B712 and Broughton Garage	£1,600	Small Schemes

Innerleithen	To pay for the replacement of a sluice gate at Kirklands.	£1,500	Small Schemes
Peebles, Edinburgh Road	To repair and repaint damaged 27m section of railings alongside Edinburgh Road, Peebles.	£2,601	Small Schemes
Skirling Cemetery	The Church undertook a Quinquennial inspection and several matters relating to the maintenance of walls and footways were highlighted. Costs to replenish existing decorative internal pathways with new stone and repair walls, gate hinges and repainting of fencing and gates	£3,360	Small Schemes
Tweeddale	To purchase a locality resource for the Promotion of the anti-dog fouling agenda for use by Community Councils within the Tweeddale area. Includes, stencils, spray paint and posters to be made available for community councils to use as determined to be appropriate and on application	£230	Small Schemes
Innerleithen, Vale of Leithen Stadium	To fund an investigation into the drainage problems at Vale of Leithen Stadium	£850	Small Schemes
Blyth Bridge	Newlands community development trust would wish to renovate and update a defibrillator to be located at the A701/A72 Junction at Blyth bridge. They are seeking a contribution towards the project	£650	Small Schemes
Peebles	The men's shed project are seeking	£2,000	Small Schemes

		funding towards the carrying out of repairs and survey for building works (including possible asbestos removal)		
Newlands Council	Parent	To supply and install a walk a mile assault course, using playground markings	£1,500	Small schemes

Members discussed the various proposals in detail and agreed to approve the projects subject to the following:-

- (a) that Tweeddale Rovers be advised that any complaints regarding light pollution would be their responsibility.
- (b) with regard to the Upper Tweed Community Council request to replace obsolete defibrillators, there was some concern expressed that this might impact a number of communities and increase the number of funding requests and it was therefore agreed that the Emergency Planning Officer be requested to contact Scottish Hart for information regarding the number of defibrillators in Tweeddale and the timescale for their replacement. The approach being taken by other local authorities should also be checked.
- (c) with regard to the request for funding for Skirling Cemetery, Members agreed that they should not fund the whole project and that a contribution of £2,500 be provided.

DECISION

AGREED to approve the schemes listed subject to (a)-(c) above.

The meeting concluded at 2.45 p.m.