

Scottish Borders Strategic Placemaking Workshop | Agenda

Background

Communities are at the heart of how places work in Scottish Borders. The Covid response has shown the resilience and strengths of local action. And it has generated learning about what worked and what's needed to better support communities and businesses meet their needs to live better locally.

Starting from an understanding of local need and ambition, and using Covid learning, allows for the opportunity of a different way of working between communities and public agencies. A 'place based' approach seeks to co-produce an understanding of local priorities and co-deliver action. The purpose of this session is to have a conversation, to begin the process of agreeing a way of working together to co-produce place futures with the communities of Scottish Borders.

Format

We will host an open facilitated conversation, led by Diarmaid Lawlor of [Scottish Futures Trust](#). The agenda is set out below. We will make space to listen, and make space so everyone can contribute. After the event, we will share a summary of the conversation, and a small action plan for next steps that we agree together at the conversation.

Aim of the conversation

To identify the shared ambition, criteria and principles of working in a place based way to support positive community futures across Scottish Borders

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[a] Ambition: What are the key issues and ambitions in the community?

[b] Success criteria: How will we know we are winning?

[c] Principles: How can we work better together?

Outcome

An early sense of how we could work differently together around local needs and a sense of the issues to focus on to strengthen this way of working moving forward