

SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL
PEEBLES PARKING WORKING GROUP

NOTE of MEETING of the PEEBLES
PARKING WORKING GROUP held via
Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, 7 July 2021
at 4.00 p.m.

Present:- Councillor R. Tatler (Chairman), , Councillor E. Small, Mr L. Hayworth, Mr. P. Maudsley,
Apologies:- Councillor S. Haslam; Ms. C. Hook, Mr. C. MacDonald, Mrs E. Rae
In Attendance:- Team Leader (Policy/Road User Management), Assistant Engineer (Road Safety & Traffic Management), Parking Supervisor, Democratic Services Team Leader.

1. **NOTE OF MEETING**

There had been circulated copies of the Note of the Meeting held on 11 March 2020 and this was approved.

2. **NEXT STEPS**

The Chairman advised that the work of the Group had been delayed due to the Covid 19 pandemic but it was hoped that the work could now be progressed. Ms Gilhooly introduced Ms Jan Little, Parking Supervisor. She advised that although a report on parking had recently been approved by Council there was still flexibility to make changes in Peebles but they would require Council approval. Ms Little advised that the report to Council had been to allow the standardisation of hours and the fees charged across the Borders. The anomaly in Peebles was the Edinburgh Road Car Park. The Chairman reminded Members of the remit of the Group and it was agreed that the only change required was to include consideration of moving the bus stop from the High Street to the Edinburgh Road Car Park. The Chairman suggested inviting Dan Cathcart, Localities Transport Officer to the next meeting. With regard to timescales for survey work, Ms Gilhooly advised that May and September were the best months to undertake this work. It was agreed that September would be too early but hopefully by next May some form of normality would have returned and a more accurate picture would be obtained. Members discussed the future meeting schedule and agreed that meetings be held in September, November, February and April with a view to submitting a final report to Council in October 2022.

3. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

In response to a question on how the income from the Peebles Car Parks was spent the Chairman advised that it was for works in the community and would also be used to fund the survey work. Mr Maudsley suggested that some could be used to improve the public toilets.

The meeting concluded at 4.25 p.m.