

EILDON AREA PARTNERSHIP

POSSIBLE DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR A PLACE MAKING WORKING GROUP

Working Group Objectives

To consider the principles of place planning and then develop an operational framework for the oversight of these activities in Eildon, making recommendations to the Area Partnership as appropriate. To help strengthen the role of the Eildon Area Partnership as a key community engagement platform, with community consultation and involvement the basis for future service provision and also clarify all issues concerning place making and place planning in Eildon.

Membership of the Working Group

Any representative of an organisation in Eildon or someone with a personal interest and skills who wishes to become involved in working with others on place planning. Should numbers of interested parties go beyond 14, then consideration could be given to dividing into 2 or more groups, split either geographically or by interest. The Working Group will be chaired by a member of the Eildon community, elected from amongst the membership of the Group.

Support to the Working Group will be provided by Officers of Scottish Borders Council, although the amount of support will depend on availability and other commitments.

Method of Approach

The Working Group will carry out its function by:

- (a) Examining relevant data, information, and other place making methodologies to develop the best approach for Eildon;
- (b) Encouraging input from the wider Eildon community to ensure a rural and urban balance; and
- (c) Analysing the information collected to reach robust conclusions, examining options and pulling together forward thinking, sustainable recommendations for consideration by the Eildon Area Partnership.

Scope

The Working Group will:

1. Gain a shared understanding of place making and place making terminology
2. Hear from other organisations and individuals to develop the context for place making in Eildon, taking account of the rural nature of the area

3. Consider and agree the joint principles proposed in earlier SBC papers, looking at alternative options and approaches
4. Consider and further develop a realistic and achievable place making framework, to address identified current or emerging issues
5. Consider the costs of place making
6. Recommend how to best allocate the scarce resources available for place planning in Eildon
7. Consider the role of the Eildon Area Partnership and a Place Making Role Agreement

Expectations

- In light of its work, the Working Group is to provide updates to the Eildon Area Partnership on an interim basis and make recommendations as appropriate.
- It is anticipated that the working group will comprise at least 3 SBC Councillors as ex-officio members - at least 1 per ward.

Assumptions

It is assumed that the information required to develop place making will be available timeously and that people will be available to attend and contribute to meetings.

Changes to Terms of Reference

Any changes to the terms of reference of the Working Group must have the prior approval of the Eildon Area Partnership and the Area Partnership may amend the terms of reference at any time.