

Additional Information

SBC Current Consultations

Have Your Say - Placemaking and Community Engagement Sign Up

Placemaking is a process of community engagement where the opinions and desires of the community are used to inform the future of the places we live, work and play - and by getting involved and telling us what matters to you, we can make sure the voices of all Scottish Borders residents are heard.

Read more: [Have Your Say - Placemaking and Community Engagement Sign Up - Scottish Borders Council - Citizen Space](#)

How we look after our Roads, Bridges and Lighting

The Roads Asset Management Team are looking to shape the future of the road service delivery through developing a set of objectives which we'll use to influence our planning and delivery over the next 5 to 10 years. We want to understand what matters most to the people who rely on our road network, so we can consider this in our decision making and planning.

Read more: [How we look after our Roads, Bridges and Lighting - Scottish Borders Council - Citizen Space](#)

Night Support Service Consultation October 2023

We need to consider new approaches to service delivery that will provide more efficient and effective care, whilst maintaining safe and good quality services. For this reason, we are reviewing the way in which we currently provide overnight care in the community.

Read more: [Night Support Service Consultation October 2023 - Scottish Borders Council - Citizen Space](#)

Scottish Government Current Consultations

Democracy Matters

Somebody, somewhere is making decisions on your behalf. Democracy Matters conversations have already started to explore whether far more of these decisions could be made by communities themselves. This is a key and connected part of the wider Local Governance Review which is looking across all of Scotland's vital public services to consider how power and resources should be shared between national and local government.

Read more: [Democracy Matters - Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#)

Delivery of relationships, sexual health and parenthood (RSHP) education in Scottish schools - draft statutory guidance

This consultation seeks views on draft statutory guidance on the delivery of relationships, sexual health and parenthood education in Scottish schools.

Read more: [Delivery of relationships, sexual health and parenthood \(RSHP\) education in Scottish schools - draft statutory guidance - Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#)

Pension Age Winter Heating Payment

The Scottish Government has committed to replacing Winter Fuel Payment (WFP) with Pension Age Winter Heating Payment (PAWHP) on a like-for-like basis. Given the significant number of clients who will be transferred to Social Security Scotland with this benefit and the need to ensure a safe and secure transition, the focus of this consultation is around gathering evidence on people's views of the current benefit and considering how we could improve the system already in place.

Read more: [Pension Age Winter Heating Payment - Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#)

Healthcare Improvement Scotland: independent healthcare fees consultation

This further consultation is required to ensure that the fees required for the effective regulation of independent healthcare services is fairly implemented.

Read more: [Healthcare Improvement Scotland: independent healthcare fees consultation - Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#)

Strategic environmental assessment of agricultural tenancies, small landholdings and land use tenancy proposals - consultation

As outlined in the Agricultural Reform Route Map, the Scottish Government is committed to ensuring that tenant farmers, smallholders, crofters, new entrants and land managers are effectively enabled to exercise their essential role in making our Vision for Agriculture a reality.

Read more: [Strategic environmental assessment of agricultural tenancies, small landholdings and land use tenancy proposals - consultation - Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#)

Partner Consultations

Borders Community Action Strategy Consultation

Borders Community Action is one of a network of 32 Third Sector Interfaces (TSIs) operating in Scotland, with one for each local authority area. Formed by the Scottish Government, TSIs aid the development of voluntary and community organisations, social enterprises and volunteering.

Third Sector Interfaces play a crucial role in facilitating communication and collaboration between the third sector and various stakeholders, and your input will help shape the future direction of our plan and activities. This survey is one of the methods we have chosen to consult on our draft strategy. We value your insights and feedback and will be using the information gathered to develop our 3-year strategic plan in 2024.

Please follow the link to take part in the consultation:
[Borders Community Action Strategy Consultation \(office.com\)](#)

Food Conversations

The food conversation meeting on Friday 8 September focussed on The Good Food Nation Act, food mapping and public consultation with presentations from Nourish Scotland.

The next Food Conversation meeting will take place on 17 November on Microsoft Teams. If you are interested in joining these meetings, please let us know.

Community Choices

There are no updates for Community Choices. Should this change, an update on the latest meeting will be provided at the Area Partnership.

Community Empowerment

Currently, there are no formal Participation Requests being considered within the Cheviot area. SBC is currently working with and advising groups for 7 asset transfer requests.

For information about the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015: [Parts of the Act | Community Empowerment \(Scotland\) Act 2015 | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

Place Making

A place-based approach is about understanding the potential of a place and coordinating action to improve outcomes, with community participation at the heart of the process. For information, tools and resources on place-based approaches visit [Our Place](#)

For details on existing Borderlands Towns Place Making progress visit [Place Programme \(arcgis.com\)](#)

Area Partnerships' Information Pack

[Cheviot Area Partnership | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

[Community engagement, planning and ownership | Area Partnership information pack | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

Community Councils:

Scottish Community Councils Latest News, including information about funding opportunities and national consultations:

[Community Council News](#)

Scottish Borders Council Meetings

[Browse meetings - Scottish Borders Council - Scottish Borders Council \(modern.gov.co.uk\)](#)

Cost of Living Support

[Financial support and advice | Cost of Living Crisis support | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

Debt Advice:

[Citizens Advice Bureau](#)



Download the NHS
Borders Money Worries
App here

NHS Money Worries App – download from Google Play or the App Store

Covid-19 vaccination programme

<https://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/covid-19-vaccination-programme/>

NHS Borders website for current updates:

<http://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/coronavirus/>

Business support

<https://www.scotborders.gov.uk/covid19business>

<https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/>

General Funding:

<https://fundingscotland.com/>

[Grants Online](#)

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/>

[Community grants and funding | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

[Neighbourhood Support Fund | Scottish Borders Council \(scotborders.gov.uk\)](#)

[SBC Enhancement & Welfare Trust](#)

NHS Borders Wellbeing Service:

<http://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/our-services/general-services/wellbeing-service/>

NHS Borders Wellbeing Point:

www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/wellbeingpoint

<https://www.rcot.co.uk/conserving-energy>

This includes pacing, fatigue management and some ideas about restarting gentle exercise

<https://www.yourcovidrecovery.nhs.uk/>

This covers most aspects, including information from physiotherapy and occupational therapy websites

<https://www.chss.org.uk/advice-line-nurses/>

Phone or email to access their support/advice