



Northumberland

County Council

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Dear Sir/ Madam

Scottish Borders Council Main Issues Report consultation

Thank you for consulting Northumberland County Council on the Scottish Borders Council Main Issues Report consultation.

We wish to make the following comments;

Our Economic and Inclusion Policy Team have reviewed the Transport section and wish to convey their support in terms of ;

- the dualling of the A1 and local improvements to the A68 and A7 to improve journey times (section 2.21).
- the importance of improved connectivity with better walking and cycling networks and promotion of the need to reduce travel and encourage more low carbon transport choices. (section 7.3)
- reference to the Borders Railway being a success in giving improved connection to Edinburgh and the reference to Northumberland County Council's intention to continue to support the promotion of the line extending south to Carlisle as well as an improved rail service for the Berwickshire communities with a rail halt at Reston. (Section 2.11)

Our Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management team have reviewed the document and ask that particular attenuation is paid to those areas that are within the river Tweed catchment.

Northumberland County Council - Flood & Coastal Erosion Risk Management team should be consulted on flood alleviation schemes and large development in areas close to the river Tweed and border towns.

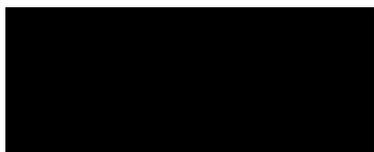


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Northumberland County Council looks forward to continuing to work with the Scottish Borders Council on planning matters of joint interest under the Duty to Cooperate and as part of the Borderlands Partnership.

Yours faithfully



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