TWEEDDALE LOCALITY ACTION PLAN

Theme: Economy skills and learning

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To improve and develop transport networks	Be innovative in the provision of rural transport services	Explore options around E-car, E-bike, Tripshare, Community Transport and Social car schemes could be considered.		Community Councils SBC Passenger Transport	Subsidised bus services delivered to main settlements: Peebles Town Service – 90A/B Peebles – Broughton/Biggar – 91 Peebles – Broughton/West Linton – 93
	Identify transport that is an alternative to 'traditional bus' services.	Proposals are being looked at to provide a taxi service for Clovenfords, walkerburn and Innerleithen. It should be managed locally It will be flexible enough to meet the communities' needs.		Community Councils SBC Passenger Transport	Trial of the West Linton Taxi/Bus Connection 660 people signed up for the scheme and there were 200 users
Review the availability of business premises	Study into the availability and suitability of business property	South of Scotland Enterprise Project is undertaking a South of Scotland-wide survey	Spring 2020	South of Scotland Enterprise Project	The Council provides a range of industrial buildings in Peebles and Innerleithen where occupancy rates are high. The private sector provides some modern office space at Cavalry Park

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Develop commercial / industrial sites and premises to encourage new business to the area	The Council will identify sites in Peebles, Innerleithen and West Linton in the new Local Development plan which will support and facilitate business development and growth.	The Council will work with South of Scotland Enterprise (SOSEP) to ensure these sites are serviced and available for private sector development and investment.		SBC Environment and Infrastructure	The Local Development Plan identifies sites in Peebles and West Linton for business development.
To provide an "Enterprise Hub" for start-ups and growth of businesses	SOSEP is undertaking a South of Scotland-wide study into the availability and suitability of business property. The study will consider the need for manufacturing and storage uses, as well as office space. It will also consider the needs of businesses at different stages in their growth cycle.			SOSEP SBC	Three small office spaces are currently available for business start-ups in the Council's Rosetta Road office. Only one of these offices is currently occupied.

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Improve marketing and promotion of the Tweeddale tourism offer	Work towards the establishment of a Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID) that will help support tourist marketing.	Continued development of the "Scotland Starts Here" by Midlothian and Borders Tourism Action Group (MBTAG)		Tweed Valley Tourist Consortium	Tweed Valley Tourism BID has been in development for the past 18 months, with a five-year business plan launched in October following extensive consultation with participating tourism businesses.
					The result of a vote, conducted by Scottish Borders Council, showed that over 80% of voting businesses (from a turnout of 68.4%) supported the initiative. This will allow a levy to be taken from participating businesses over a five-year period to fund investments to improve the area's tourism product. It is hoped that the £350,000 private investment will be match-funded by the public sector.
					VisitScotland recently initiated a specific South of Scotland marketing campaign - 'See South Scotland'. The Scottish Government contributed £500,000 additional funding to support the creation of a campaign that will promote the south of Scotland as a tourism destination to key UK and

		European markets, focusing on coastal and forest activities in particular.
		Tweeddale's tourism profile is increased by the marketing and promotion activity that happens in relation to Mountain Biking, Glentress, Innerleithen and the 7stanes brand
		Key events run by local event organisers also raise the profile of the area: - Tweedlove - Enduro World Series - Tour O' The Borders - The Mighty Deerstalker

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Improve broadband and mobile coverage	Deliver superfast broadband to all occupied premises by the end of 2021.	The Scottish Government has commenced a new initiative, the R100 programme, in order to deliver superfast broadband by 2021	2021		The Council has invested £8.4M in the Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband Programme.
	The Council is promoting a 4G Infill Programme alongside its partners in the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal.				The Council has regularly lobbied Governments and the Mobile Network Operators to improve the coverage of mobile phone services and reduce the number of 'not-spots' in the Scottish Borders. It has also lobbied for improved 4G

				services coverage; these have improved over the last 2 years
	As 5G networks start to be delivered in some cities, the Council will continue to lobby for better mobile services across the Scottish Borders, so that rural areas are not 'left behind'.			
Develop stronger links with colleges, schools and businesses to create a joint approach to education and upskilling the workforce	Create a physical and digital hub to provide better access to training in health and social care, renewable energy, engineering and construction skills	Secondary Head Teachers are currently developing ideas to further improve the links between schools, colleges and businesses.	Secondary Head Teachers Developing the Young Workforce	The 'Developing the Young Workforce' initiative has established stronger links between businesses and schools, including specific school/industry partnerships.

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Increase practical skills and knowledge for primary and early secondary school children & young people	Create a Regional Apple Training Centre at Kingsland Primary School for staff as part of the Inspire Learning Programme.			SBC	Professional learning for Tweeddale staff in primary school computing science established.
	Plan and implement work inspiration/experience programme with Developing Young Workforce Industry Group for young people with additional support needs				Leadership program for pupil Digital Leaders in Peebles HS for Inspire Learning established
	Development of the secondary curriculum to meet the needs of the Regional Skills Investment Plan for the South of Scotland.				

Create a mentoring model in schools	Support the community to establish its own mentoring programme tapping into knowledge skill and experience within the community.		SBC in partnership with:-	Engaging with families in enhanced family learning opportunities, building capacity & capability (CLD Service), PEEPS Group, Transitions Groups,
				The Bridge provides advice and guidance to community groups to help build knowledge, skills and confidence.
	The Chamber of Commerce are considering how to run an expanded programme in future. South of Scotland Enterprise may be able to support this mentoring approach once it becomes operation in April 2020.		Chamber of Commerce & South of Scotland Enterprise	Scottish Borders Chamber of Commerce has completed a mentoring programme across the Scottish Borders. The programme was LEADER funded.
Increase training opportunities for local trades	Create a network to provide better access to training in health and social care, renewable energy, engineering and construction.	Borders College to create a physical and digital hub network to provide better access to training in health and social care, renewable energy, engineering and construction.	Borders College	Young people and others seeking to learn a 'trade' are able to access training opportunities through Borders College.

A project is being created to encourage local trade's people to develop skills in 'low carbon' and 'green energy' systems.		

Theme: Health Care and W	Theme: Health Care and Wellbeing							
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To improve the availability, accessibility and connections to services for people living in rural areas and towns across the Tweeddale area to reduce loneliness and social isolation	Continue to define the 'Locality Model', including the use of multi-disciplinary teams Monthly article in the Peebleshire news showcasing different volunteering activities	IJB Strategic Implementation Plan (approved by IJB Sept 2019)		Chief Officer, Borders Health & Social Care Partnership	Re-design Locality Based Integrated Health & Social Care Teams (Chief Officer, Borders Health & Social Care Partnership) Attend Anywhere Project(NHS Borders			
	Develop ambassador role within Peebles and link this into the wider community.			Tweeddale Volunteer Initiative Volunteer Centre Borders	"What Matters Hubs" established in Peebles, Walkerburn& West Linton (Chief Officer, Borders Health & Social Care Partnership)			

Develop local volunteering hub-micro site that can act as a one stop shop& social media presence		Tweeddale Volunteer Initiative	
Increase the number of volunteers – showcasing the work of volunteers	Wider marketing and raising awareness in the community eg; via coffee mornings.	Tweeddale Volunteer Initiative	

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Increase the availability of locally based rehabilitation services to reduce hospital stays	September 2019 IJB approved the expansion of Hospital to Home (H2H). A review of services in Tweeddale will be commenced by December 2019. Older People Local area coordination has now been introduced across the whole of the Scottish Borders. 6 new weekly sessions introduced in Tweeddale including health circuits, mobility, Guid Fettle, health conditions and gentle movement.	All older clients in the day service are being supported by the Local area coordinator and Link worker attend community based alternatives.			Allied Health Professionals (AHP) transformation workstream created to reshape AHP services to support community care (Associate Director of Community & Primary Services, NHS Borders) Third Sector Partners supporting people they work with, encouraging as much independence as possible (Chief Social Work Officer) Transform Day Services (Chief Social Work Officer) Live Borders — Health & Fitness Programme in Tweeddale (Live Borders&Wellbeing Service) MacMillan Movemore (MacMillan) Community Capacity Building Project (Community Capacity Building Team) Food & Friendship Project based at Victoria Park operates every Wednesday.

		Three gentle exercise groups are well established in West Linton and Innerleithen.

Increase the range of	September 2019 IJB			
care and support available to enable people to remain in their own homes and	approved the expansion of Hospital to Home (H2H).			
communities	Older People Local area coordination has now been introduced across the whole of the Scottish Borders.	All older clients in the day service are being supported by the Local area coordinator and Link worker attend community based alternatives.		Food & Friendship Project based at Victoria Park operates every Wednesday.
	A review of services in Tweeddale will be	Allied Health Professionals (AHP) transformation	(Associate Director of Community & Primary Services, NHS Borders)	30 extra care housing is planned for 2022/23 although as yet not site has been acquired.

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				Ask Sara launched AskSARA is an easy-to-use website which available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It shows you equipment and solutions that can make your life easier. It provides advice and guidance that may help you, or someone you care about, with your health, your home or your daily activities.
Increase the range of affordable and accessible housing	New plans have been submitted by Eildon Housing to provide 22 homes providing a	The Local Housing Strategy 2017-22 sets out a vision for the supply, quality and		www.scotborders.gov.uk/asksara 17 new homes completed at Station Yard in Cardrona

options available across the locality	mixture of flats and houses.	availability of housing in the local area. The LHS is the key planning document, providing a framework of action, investment and partnership-working to deliver these local		
		priorities. SBC to continue to work alongside Link Housing Association to promote and maximise publicity and access to low cost home ownership.		James Hogg Court in Innerleithen has been acquired which will result in 22 new homes. Recommendations form the Wheelchair Housing Study will be incorporated into the next SHIP document.
				Planning application has been submitted to provide 40 affordable homes at Tweedbridge Court
Develop intergenerational community hubs		Implementation of the Scottish Borders Mental Health Strategy (General Manager for Mental Health Services NHS Borders)		"What Matters Hubs" established in Peebles, Walkerburn& West Linton(Chief Officer, Borders Health & Social Care Partnership)

Improve support for unpaid carers	The Carers Advisory Board has become Carer's First, a forum to engage with carers across the Scottish Borders.	Facilitate transformation through development of community based opportunities (Community Capacity Building Team)		There has been a 29% increase in the numbers of carers with a carer's support plan (April 18 to June 19)
		Living Well in the Scottish Borders Plan is currently being published		
		First Aid training tailored for young carers		

Theme: Safer Communities						
Priority	Planned Activity	How will the activity be delivered	Project timeline	Who will deliver the project	Progress	
Community connections need to be further developed to share information and activities across the Tweeddale Area		Information of activities and groups to be shared via; • Red Cross directory of activities in the Tweeddale Area • Tweeddale volunteers hosting events throughout the year • What Matters Hubs taking place in Peebles, Walkerburn and West Linton		Red Cross Tweeddale Learning Community Partnership		

		Tweeddale Learning Community Partnership Bulletin sent to partners monthly with updates on activities and learning news in the locaity		
Increase support to individuals to help them be active members of their community			Tweeddale Volunteers SBC Mens Shed	Tweeddale Volunteers hosting events What Matter's Hubs Peebles & District Men's Shed open 7 days per week
Reduce anti-social behaviour and improve street lighting and signage	Community Action Team to be recruited.	Increased investment of £256k has enabled a second Community Action Team to be recruited. Both CAT's will continue to respond to local need and demand within the Tweeddale Area	Mens Shed	Peebles & District Men's Shed open 7 days per week

Croata stranger links to	Communities will be	A member/Officer		In 2018/19, the
Create stronger links to				
the SBC Community	encouraged to use their	Oversight Group meet		seven-strong CAT
Action Team (with a	Community Policing	monthly to agree		carried out:
particular focus on road	Teams as the first point of	specific tasks to be		
safety) by increasing	contact	undertaken. The basis		Almost 300 drug
awareness of the CAT		of this work is an		searches on people
and how communities		analytical assessment		and premises
can feed into the CAT		prepared by the		
work programme		Partnership Analyst		Issued nearly 900
		followed by Elected		parking tickets
		Member		
		representatives		Took part in more
		highlighting specific		than 100 static
		constituency matters to		road checks
		be included in the		Conducted over
		tasking process. Not all		900 hours of high
		tasks fall to the CAT,		visibility foot and
		some are directed to		mobile patrols
		the Community Policing		
		Teams or other		
		specialist services.		
		Relevant support is also		
		secured from the		
		Scottish Fire and Rescue		
		Service		

The Safer Communities Team currently coordinate the activity of the Council funded Community Action Team (CAT).	TASKING DURING PERIOD 1. Kingsmeadow car park, issue with antisocial driving. 2. Youth alcohol issues in Peebles town centre.
	Evidence impact 1. Young drivers who frequent the car park have been spoken to by CAT officers. Incident numbers are low.
	2. Patrols carried out at the end of September when the problem was identified. Tasking will continue into October but incident volume has reduced.

Theme: Environment and Place							
Priority	Planned Activity	How will the activity be delivered	Project timeline	Who will deliver the project	Progress		
Ensure that Tweeddale residents have access to appropriate and affordable housing, and the environment is clean and safe	Develop a range of flexible accommodation for communities at every age and stage of life Incorporate the Wheelchair Housing Study into the next Strategic Housing Document	The Local Housing Strategy 2017-22 sets out a vision for the supply, quality and availability of housing in the local area. The LHS is the key planning document, providing a framework of action, investment and partnership-working to deliver these local priorities.			17 affordable homes have been completed at Station Yard in Cardrona and 22 affordable homes are planned for delivery at Tweedbridge Court in Peebles.		
Improve the provision of suitable local housing							

(sheltered, extra care, for those with disabilities, care homes etc) by developing a range of flexible accommodation for communities at every age and stage of life			
Tackle fuel poverty		Changeworks Home energy Scheme	
Identify opportunities where green space and access to green space can be improved and local access to growing projects can be developed	SBC Growing Strategy	Carol Cooke	 9 community garden groups; Tweedgreen Secret Garden The Glebe Project The Courthouse Peebles CAN Railway Path Group Peebles Path Group Bonnie Peebles St Ronans Wells Garden The Edible Garden
De-cluttering and environmental improvement campaigns are undertaken in key streets/areas within Tweeddale locality			Esheils Community Recycling Centre (CRC) - In addition to the recycling opportunities provided by the SBC there is a reuse cabin on site which is managed by You Can Cook, Just Cycles and Home Basics. Members of the public can leave furniture,

			household items, tools and bikes there for redistribution by these local organisations.
Improve awareness and access to information, support and resources to increase energy efficiency.			