

Peebles Placemaking Team c/o Peebles Community Trust The School Brae Hub School Brae Peebles EH45 8AT

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024

## **Dear Community Councils**

I am contacting you on behalf of Peebles Placemaking Team. Our local community has prepared a proposed Local Place Plan for Peebles – "A Plan for Peebles 2024-2034". The Place Plan comprises two components – the main report and an appendix. These are available to view and download at <a href="https://ccrbpeebles.co.uk/Place/">https://ccrbpeebles.co.uk/Place/</a>. This email serves two purposes – to inform you of the proposed Place Plan, and to provide you with the opportunity to comment on what is a draft document before it is formally submitted to the Council as our Place Plan.

As a part of this process, we are legally required to send each Community Council whose area is wholly or partly within our Local Place Plan area, or adjoins it, the information below. This is in order to comply with Section 4 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Place Plans) (Scotland) Regulations 2021. This email constitutes the 'Information Notice' to local Community Councils required by those Regulations.

This Information Notice is therefore being sent to the following Community Councils:

Royal Burgh of Peebles and District Community Council Eddleston & District Community Council Manor, Stobo and Lyne Community Council Ettrick and Yarrow Community Council Innerleithen & District Community Council Moorfoot Community Council (Midlothian).

The proposed Local Place Plan covers the settlement of Peebles. It captures the aspirations and priorities of the people of Peebles in maintaining and further developing the settlement as a sustainable, resilient and fair community.

The purpose of our proposed Local Place Plan is to:

- directly address inequality, looking at opportunities to improve social cohesion
- provide housing and local job opportunities for everyone, to maintain and increase the number of people living in the town
- support the mental and physical wellbeing of the local community
- improve community capacity to direct and manage change.

It includes a programme of initiatives under four core themes — Sustainable Growth, Getting Around, Open for Business, A Fair Community. It aligns with national, regional and local strategies and plans including the Scottish Borders LDP2 adopted on 22 August 2024, the Scottish Borders Community Plan, and the South of Scotland Regional Economic Strategy, and is framed in such a way as to help inform and guide local and regional development planning in the years ahead.

If you have comments on our proposed Local Place Plan, please email them to us at The deadline for comments is Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Further supporting information is available in the companion document the "Peebles Town Action Plan 2024-2034" also available to view and download at <a href="https://ccrbpeebles.co.uk/Place/">https://ccrbpeebles.co.uk/Place/</a>.

Please let us know if you have any queries.

## Kind regards



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