



Northumberland County Council

Rothbury Borderlands Place Programme Board Minutes

28th June 2022

18:00 – 19:30 Jubilee Institute Hall

Attendees

Board Members	Organisation
Chris Walker (Chair in AL's absence) Cllr Peter Colquitt Cllr Ashley Arkle Abbie Curtis	NCC Rothbury Parish Council Rothbury Parish Council Northumberland Estates
Apologies	Organisation
Anne Lawson Cllr Steven Bridgett Ken Branson Dr Billy Hunt John O'Brien Rector John Sinclair	Northumberland County Council Northumberland County Council Jubilee Hall Trust The Rothbury Practice National Trust Churches Together

Agenda

1. Declarations of Interests
2. Previous Meeting report
3. Consultation Review – Chris Walker
4. Next Steps

Minutes (Action points in red)

Item	Details	Actions
1	Declarations of Interest The summary of DOIs was briefly discussed with no changes required to be made.	

	Any changes or updates to the summary should be sent to CW or AL by 8 th July 2022. Declarations of Interest will be reviewed at every board meeting and the online version updated as changes occur.	CW
2	<p>Consultation Review – Chris Walker</p> <p>A review of the consultation was presented by CW. The presentation aimed to demonstrate the key findings from the public consultation. These findings would then be used to review the vision and strategic objectives agreed by the board at the previous meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed that the consultation report would be shared with board members for their review. Comments to CW by COP 8th July 2022</p>	CW All
3	<p>Review of Vision</p> <p>The vision was reviewed considering public opinion from the consultation.</p> <p>95% of all respondents from the public consultation agreed broadly with the vision as developed by the board at previous meetings.</p> <p><i>"Collaborating with the community of Rothbury to create a sustainable environment, facilities and infrastructure to support residents, businesses and visitors of the town both now and for the future"</i></p> <p>Following feedback from the consultation the board discussed the vision, highlighting the importance of the physical environment (including parking), leisure facilities and the retail offer to both residents and visitors. The vision included (implicitly) all of the major themes, and with a 95% broad approval was agreed by the board to be representative and was therefore unchanged.</p>	

4	<p>Review of Strategic Objectives</p> <p>The strategic objectives were reviewed considering public opinion from the consultation. Over 92% of respondents agreed with the objectives broadly which demonstrated support for all four existing strategic objectives and underpinning values. The board felt that the strategic objectives should remain largely unchanged given the support received at consultation, however attention should be paid to affordable housing and included in point one. Below is the proposed alteration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Retain and increase the number of working age residents in Rothbury while responding to the need for affordable housing</i> 2. <i>Maintain and increase the number of visitors spending money in Rothbury.</i> 3. <i>Safeguard and develop the businesses of Rothbury, ensuring a strong local employment opportunity, driving economic and social participation.</i> 4. <i>Maintain and raise the quality of the physical environment in the centre of Rothbury, including facilities and suitable environments for young people</i> <p>The board to review the vision and strategic objectives by 8th July 2022 at which point the vision and strategic objectives will be published on the Borderlands web page.</p>	CW/ALL
5	<p>Next Steps</p> <p>Board to review the consultation report and vision/strategic objectives and provide any comments to CW by 8th July 2022</p> <p>Consultation report, vision and strategic objectives to be published on website week commencing 11th July 2022</p> <p>Next meeting date 31st August at 18:00pm. Venue – Rothbury Jubilee Hall.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>CW</p> <p>CW/ALL</p>
7	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>31st August 2022 – 18:00pm – Rothbury Jubilee Hall</p>	CW/ALL