

5.	<p>Police Report. Chair had circulated the MMWR for May to members, who once again expressed their concern at the high rate of Anti-Social Behaviour.</p> <p>Cllr Marshall advised that new mobile CCTV units were now being deployed elsewhere in the Borders, and he would be discussing with the police CAT whether such units could be made available in the Hawick area.</p>	
6.	<p>Treasurer's Report and Foundation Scotland Update. Treasurer presented her report. Details of recent activity in the three accounts are summarised in the attached annex.</p> <p>The church clock had been repaired, with the work funded by FS. She understood the entire clockwork mechanism had been replaced by an electronic unit.</p> <p>Treasurer reported that there had been confusion over the specification for the Dean noticeboards, and the corresponding estimate. She was in discussion with the Chair of the Dean sub-committee to resolve the matter.</p>	
7.	<p>Correspondence. Chair reported a number of items of correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. She had received a letter from Mr Iain Smith expressing appreciation for the work to repair the church clock. b. A letter from the Mayor of the township of Denholm, Quebec province in Canada, informing us of their 100th anniversary. Chair had sent a map kindly donated by Mr Sandy Milligan, and a pack of folded visitor maps; she had yet to receive confirmation that these had arrived. c. A letter from Walter Douglas of Upper Teviotdale and Borthwick Water CC with comments on a number of windfarm issues from several CCs. Chair would circulate draft comments to add to the letter stressing the issue of the need for better defined and regulated traffic management plans associated with any windfarm proposals. d. A letter from Gillian Douglas of the Flood Protection Scheme informing us of the continuing work to clear debris from the River Teviot. 	
CC Hutchings and Mr G Campbell joined the meeting, following their Placemaking Meeting at Bedrule.		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> e. Chair had received a letter from Ms Mirjam van Beek of 18 Ruberslaw Drive, highlighting the dangerous condition of a tree in The Loaning, adjacent to a street light column. Cllr Marshall offered to report the matter to SBC. f. Details of the Tour of Britain cycling event, scheduled to pass through Denholm at around 1:45 pm on Tuesday 3 Sep 24. The group would be entering the village from Hassendean and the Minto Road, pass by the church, and exit via the A698 towards Jedburgh. Road closures would be in force for the movement of the group. 	Marshall

	g. SBC had circulated a voluminous document giving details of their revised Local Plan, indicating proposed housing developments in the areas of Denholm Farm and Denholm Farm East.	
8.	<p>Planning Applications.</p> <p>a. 24/00788/FUL Venville, Hassendeanburn. Erection of shed and hardstanding. Sec said comments were due by 5 Aug, and that no objections had been lodged.</p> <p>b. Sec reiterated his frustration at the continued refusal by SBC Planners to notify CCs routinely of planning applications in their respective areas. Cllr Marshall said he was aware of similar complaints from other Borders CCs. Cllr Richards, a member of the Planning Board, was unable to explain the rationale, and agreed to raise the matter again with the Board.</p>	<p>Sec</p> <p>Richards</p>
9.	Teviotdale & Liddesdale Area Partnership. Nothing to report.	
10.	Denholm Placemaking Project. CC Hutchings reported that he and others had come from a meeting of the Placemaking sub-committee at Bedrule that evening. He indicated that the meeting had been very positive, that the newly appointed consultants and Sarah Culverwell of SBC had been in attendance, plus some new interested residents from Bedrule and Minto. The consultants were tasked with formulating a plan to take the work forward.	Hutchings
11.	<p>EV Charging Points. CC Ploughman reported that he had received communication from SP expressing concern regarding the lack of adequate proof of ownership of the Fisherman's Carpark and the small carpark opposite the Cream Puff. They were passing the matter to legal experts who would be advising them on the way forward.</p> <p>Sadly, if these issues could not be resolved, SP were unsure of the economic viability of the single site by the Village Hall, and this would mean the whole project was unlikely to go ahead.</p> <p>The meeting all thanked CC Ploughman for his perseverance with the project and would await further news.</p>	
12.	Small Grants Scheme. Chair would be providing Cllr Marshall with photos of the existing planter, in order help with the case for a new planter at the eastern end of the village.	Chair
13.	<p>Wind Farms Update. Chair said Muirhall Energy had now changed the date and time of the meeting they had called to discuss the Teviot Wind Farm Community Investment Fund; in response to requests, this would now be held in the evening of Wednesday 23 Oct 24 at 6:30 pm at their office in Hawick. Chair and Sec would be attending.</p> <p>Chair would circulate the agreed consultation comments which needed to be submitted to the Energy Consent Unit by 28 Aug 24.</p>	<p>Chair</p> <p>Sec</p> <p>Chair</p>

154	<p>AOB.</p> <p>a. Main Street Road Condition. CC Passmore reported sighting a loose slab in the road at the bus stop on Main Street which appeared to be potentially dangerous. Cllr Marshall agreed to report this to Roads at SBC.</p> <p>b. VH Defibrillator. CC Ferguson requested help with 50% of the cost of the electrical installation of the new defib. Sec proposed that, as the unit was for the benefit of the whole of the community, not just those using the Hall, D&DCC accept the full cost of £382, and this was agreed unanimously.</p> <p>c. Flower Show. CC Ferguson indicated that the Denholm Flower Show would be held on The Green on Saturday 7 Sep. Afternoon teas would be served, and she encouraged as many residents and children to come and enjoy the event. She asked for £400 to be available for the renting of a bouncy castle for the children. Agreed.</p> <p>d. New Speed Sign. It had been pointed out that the new speed awareness sign near the bus stop on Main Street was now obscured by foliage. Chair to email Cllr Marshall who was asked to approach the SBC Parks Dept to resolve the problem.</p> <p>e. Loaning Playpark. Cllr Marshall reminded the meeting that £60K remained in the 2025/26 SBC budget earmarked for upgrading of the playpark. As this stood on Feuars land, CC Ferguson agreed to contact SBC to discuss documentation for the work to proceed.</p> <p>f. Church Closures. CC Clew raised the possibility of certain churches in the area closing, and whether wider communities should be informed. It was agreed that such issues should be addressed within the Placemaking progress, and that the wider public, other than simply church members, should be informed.</p>	<p>Marshall</p> <p>Treasurer</p> <p>Treasurer</p> <p>Chair Marshall</p> <p>Fergusson</p>
	<p>Date of Next Meeting. Several members announced they would be away over the date for the meeting in Sep. It was therefore decided that D&DCC would next meet on 16 October 2024 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. Chair thanked all for attending.</p>	<p>ALL</p>

W A B Roberts
Sec D&DCC

24 Aug 24

Membership of D&DCC:

Mrs G Crew (Chair)
Mr S Clew
Mrs L Ferguson
Mr D Hutchings
Mrs S Passmore (Treasurer)
Mr D Ploughman (Vice Chair)

Information:

Mr S Marshall (Councillor, SBC)
Mrs C Ramage (Councillor, SBC)
Mr N Richards (Councillor, SBC)
Democratic Services Team, SBC
PC A Patterson (Police Scotland)
Ms J Wilkinson (Clerk to SBC)

Mrs M Richardson
Mr W Roberts (Secretary)

Mr J Marshall (The Hawick Paper)
Mrs J Currie (Denholm Facebook)