

Minutes

Meeting	Borderlands	
Date	09 September 2021	
Times	13.00pm	
Venue	VIA TEAMS	

Attendees: Kevin Hamilton (Chair) Adele Fitzsimmons (Notes) Nick Perry Alison Meadows Tracey Ingham Georgina Livingstone Eleanor Farrell Garry Ronson Alec Proffitt Ben Shirley Des English	Apologies: Cllr. Bill McEwan Barry Doughty
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Discussion / Action
<p>Welcome Introductions, Apologies</p> <p>An apology of absence was received from: Cllr. Bill McEwan Barry Doughty</p> <p>Notes from the previous meeting and matters arising</p> <p>The notes of the previous meeting were agreed.</p> <p>Tracey noted that Barrow Local Committee have agreed to append the Town Team meeting notes to the Local Committee reports and will therefore be visible in the public domain going forward.</p> <p>Draft Place Plan – for consideration and approval</p> <p>Eleanor provided the draft Dalton Place plan for the group’s consideration. Eleanor asked the group to provide feedback on the draft plan, which will then be approved through the Council’s governance structure, and then by the Borderlands Board.</p> <p>It was noted that the plan is still in draft and will be designed with visuals, by the Council’s Corporate Communication’s Team.</p> <p>Action: Group to forward on any photos of Dalton that could be used in the Place Plan to Eleanor.</p> <p>Action: Ben to contact local sports teams in Dalton to see if they have any available images that could be used in the plan.</p> <p>Feedback from Borderlands Peer Review</p> <p>Eleanor commented that the draft Place Plan has been peer reviewed by the Borderlands Partnership and included representatives from the Scottish Borders, Northumberland and Carlisle City Council’s.</p>

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The group were impressed with the level of response to the local consultation and were comfortable with the structure of the document.

Recommendations from the peer review included:

- More work to be done at the forefront of the plan to highlight the level of consultation undertaken, including demonstrating the level of community response and highlighting the community partnership approach that was undertaken.
- Including a link to the local plan.
- Utilising a case study under one of the themes to demonstrate the types of interventions that could be delivered.
- Inclusion of a route map.
- Demonstrate how themes have been developed, showing where engagement has happened.
- Recognising the types of funding sources that could be used to support the schemes.

Feedback from the Town Team included:

Link to businesses

Garry commented that he would like to see an increased representation of local businesses included in the plan, with businesses being linked more explicitly to the three themes identified: ('A community to cherish', 'Celebrating our Character', 'Active Lifestyles').

A query was also raised regarding the number of business owners in Dalton who responded to the public consultation.

It was noted that 1000 printed consultation surveys were handed out (via Dalton Community Action Group) to local businesses, with 50 being returned.

There were 370 responses to the online consultation survey, however there is no way of identifying how many of these respondents were from local business owners.

Thinking Place Consultants also ran a virtual workshop for businesses as part of the consultation. Attendance was limited however, with only two business representatives attending.

Engagement with Young People

A query was raised regarding how young people have been engaged on the programme. It was noted that DropZone have been working with young people to develop their own plan for Dalton which will link back to the Community Partnership and the Town Team.

Alec commented that there is a representative for young people who currently sits on the communication board for the Barrow Town Deal and noted that it may be beneficial for the Town Team to have similar representation. This was agreed by the group.

Action: Adele to invite Alisha Moore (young person representative) to future Town Team meetings.

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Link to Dalton Car Park

Nick raised a query regarding whether there are any opportunities to establish a new car park in Dalton. It was noted that there is no current funding available to support a new car park at the moment but there may be opportunities to link the car park with other schemes in the place plan that could encourage increased footfall into Dalton.

The group supported a feasibility study into developing a new car park in Dalton.

It was also agreed that the current issues with car parking in Dalton should be written into the place plan.

Plan specific feedback:

- Page 5 – include images representing sport and recreation in the town.
- Page 7 – include health reference to Dalton being a part of the ‘Mid Furness Integrated Care Community’.
- Page 7-8, paragraph 3 amend sentence from:

*The town benefits from a railway station on the Furness Line served by Northern with trains **to** Lancaster and beyond **to** Manchester and **to** Barrow, the west coast and **up to** Carlisle.*

*to “The town benefits from a railway station on the Furness Line served by Northern with trains **from** Lancaster and beyond, Manchester, Barrow, the west coast and Carlisle”.*

- Page 7-8, paragraph 6, tweak statement relating to housing.
- Page 17, theme 1, information relating to ‘Improved public realm’ is duplicated.
- Page 19, theme 3, Heritage Trails, include reference to Monks Trail (Dalton A590 to Furness Abbey).
- Replace references to ‘intervention’ terminology with ‘innovation/initiatives’ throughout the plan.
- Include reference to current car park issues in Dalton.
- Include reference noting that the leisure centre is the only charitable trust owned leisure centre that is retained by the community in the UK.
- Include mapping of digital connectivity across the town, demonstrating areas of opportunity and areas that need to be addressed.
- Include reference to clean growth strategy for Dalton.

Next steps to progress draft place plan

Next steps to progress the project were discussed as follows:

- Eleanor to make amends to the draft place plan based on the feedback/comments provided by the Town Team and Borderlands Peer Review group.
- Following amends, the plan will be shared with Barrow Local Members on Thursday 30th September and then be taken to Barrow Local Committee for sign off and approval.
- Eleanor asked whether the team would be happy to have their photo taken for inclusion in the place plan. This was agreed by the group.
- Eleanor asked that any additional comments be sent to her by close of play on Friday 17 September.

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Action: Adele to take a virtual screenshot of the Town Team at the next meeting for inclusion in the place plan.

Action: Group to provide any additional comments regarding the draft place plan to Eleanor by close of play of Friday 17 September.

Community Partnership Group Update

Alison provided the draft notes from the last Community Partnership Group (July) noting that these were still in draft and had not yet been approved by the Partnership group.

Arts & Culture Group

The Arts and Culture group are looking at coordination opportunities to progress arts and culture events involving young people.

Community orchard

Work continues to be progressed at Dalton Station to develop a community orchard which is being led by DropZone and Dalton Town Council. Cumbria Community Foundation has also provided £17k towards the development of the project.

Network rail has also recognised the positive impact the community orchard project is having on improving mental health and wellbeing for young people.

Georgina commented that Charnley's garden centre may be able to provide additional resources to the project if required.

Community safety

A multi-agency partnership (including Barrow Borough Council, Community Development Team and Barrow Borough Council) has undertaken work with the local community using the survey questions that were posed in the Dalton Borderlands survey to ask residents what they like about living in Dalton. This engagement went well with the majority of residents responding positively.

Going forward, the teams are looking to undertake further face-to-face engagement with residents and local businesses as Covid-19 restrictions have now been reduced.

Alison noted that she will be undertaking some further engagement with businesses over the next few weeks.

'Big Clean'

Alison commented that there is a 'big clean' event taking place from Market Street this Saturday (11 September) led by Dalton Town Council, BAE, Zest, Barrow Borough Council and the Fire Service.

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The Co-op are also supporting the event by providing refreshments in Dalton Community Centre.

It was noted that a notice board in Dalton to advertise local events may be beneficial for the local community.

Next Steps

- Eleanor to liaise with the Council's Communications Team to brand the Dalton Place Plan and include visuals.
- Collate Place Plan feedback/comments from Town Team members by next Friday (17 September)
- Following feedback/comments received, Eleanor to present a further draft of the Place Plan to Barrow Local Members on Thursday 30 September.
- Once the place plan is agreed by the Town Team, it will be taken through the Council's governance structure for sign off (via Barrow Local Committee) and then discussed at the wider Borderlands Board in either December or March.

AOB

There were no further business matters to discuss.