

Borders Outdoor & Woodland Learning Group

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To whom it may concern

In support of proposed community buyout of Eshiels woodland

I am writing as Chair of the Borders OWLS (Outdoor and Woodland Learning Scotland) Group. We are a network of people in the Borders with an interest in all forms of outdoor and woodland learning. We organise training events, networking events and anything which encourages people to get outside and enjoy and respect the natural environment. Our members include teachers, environmental educators and others with an interest in nature.

The proposed Eshiels CATS transfer offers an ideal opportunity to build a stronger outdoor-based community, providing a potential location and resources for outdoor learning, with environmental conservation and protection as overarching concerns. For Borders OWLS the woodland could represent a future venue for outdoor workshops, gatherings or training events, especially in traditional skills such as coppicing or green woodworking.

Borders OWLS Group are fully supportive of this initiative and wish the Eshiels group every success.

Yours sincerely,

Jan Barr
Chair
Borders OWLS

