

# SEEING THINGS DIFFERENTLY

## DUMBARTON ROCK DESIGN CHARRETTE

### PROGRAMME

25 to 26 FEBRUARY 2015 at DUMBARTON FOOTBALL CLUB

27 to 28 FEBRUARY 2015 at THE NEW BURGH HALL

West Dunbartonshire Council with the support of the Scottish Government and Historic Scotland, is holding a design charrette in Dumbarton between 25 and 28 February 2015. A charrette is an intensive public consultation that engages local people in the design of their community. The Scottish Government has selected the Dumbarton Rock and Castle area along with other towns, including Clydebank, to support locally driven design charrettes. This event provides the opportunity for anybody interested in the area to get involved in helping to promote the Rock and Castle as an important heritage destination and to plan for its future. The charrette's main aims are to:

- Develop a **shared long-term vision** for Dumbarton Rock and Castle and its immediate setting;
- Identify how Dumbarton can benefit from the development of the Rock and Castle as a major visitor attraction and from the redevelopment of sites near the Rock;
- Establish how Dumbarton's tourism, cultural and heritage assets can be exploited and to ensure that all new development contributes to making Dumbarton an attractive place to visit and to live in; and
- Establish a clear masterplan and action plan for turning the results of the charrette into a longer term strategy.

A project team led by Anderson Bell Christie Architects is assisting the Council with the charrette. All interested parties including the general public, local residents and businesses, are welcome to attend. You can choose the event that suits you best from the programme below. All events and groups will be facilitated by members of the project team to help draw up ideas and plans. Refreshments will be available throughout each day for participants and a sandwich lunch provided on Wednesday and Thursday. A follow up event will take place on in March 2015 to outline the proposed masterplan and action plan. Further details will be supplied nearer the time.

You can follow the event at [#dumbartonrock](https://twitter.com/dumbartonrock) and the findings of each day will be published on [www.west-dunbarton.gov.uk/dumbartonrockcharrette](http://www.west-dunbarton.gov.uk/dumbartonrockcharrette)

**Planning for the future of the Rock and Castle area requires ideas from everybody in the community so if you want to play a key role in developing proposals for the area we want to hear from you.**

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Wednesday 25 February, Dumbarton Football Club

Open to the Public from 10.30am - 5.15pm

Members of the public, stakeholders, local residents and invitees can take part in site tours, group discussions and identify themes, challenges and opportunities to help develop ideas and plans for the area. Each group will be led by a facilitator.

- **Introduction, Welcome and Aims: 10.30am**
- **Site Tours: 11.00am returning at 12.30pm**  
On foot and by mini-bus in and around the charrette area, to consider key issues - approaches to the site; views to the site; local character; local green networks.
- **Working Lunch & Group Reporting: 12.30pm - 1.30pm**  
Groups discussing, recording and reporting their thoughts from the tours.
- **Technical Briefings & Group Workshops: 2.00pm - 5.15pm**  
Short presentations from experts identifying key issues to be addressed followed by group workshops exploring ideas, aspirations and opportunities.

## Wednesday 25 February, Evening Programme

Open to the Public from 6.15pm - 8.00pm

The evening slot allows for people that might not have been able to attend during the day to hear what ideas and challenges have emerged and to take part in group workshops to develop ideas further.

- **Introduction, Welcome and Exhibition of day's work: 6.30pm – 6.45pm**  
Summary report on the day's work and findings.
- **Group Workshops: 6.45pm - 8.00pm** Discussion on the views and issues identified and facilitated group working to consider ideas and report on findings

## Thursday 26 February, Dumbarton Football Club

Open to the Public from 11.15am - 5.00pm

Focused workshops in the morning and afternoon developing, testing and drawing up ideas. New attendees can view work done to date.

- **Introduction and Welcome: 11.15am – 11.30am**
- **Workshop and Discussion: 11.30pm - 1.00pm**  
Facilitated group working - developing ideas and identifying key design requirements and constraints with pin up of proposals
- **Lunch (provided): 1.00pm - 1.30pm**
- **Introduction and Welcome to new Attendees: 1.45pm – 2.00pm**
- **Feedback and Summary to date: 2.00pm - 2.30pm**  
Groups' findings and work to date.
- **Key Stakeholders' Development Workshop and Discussion: 2.30pm - 5.00pm**  
Facilitated group working including community and business groups, land owner/ developers and tourism operators. Development and testing of proposals, working with Facilitators/ Illustrators identifying possible solutions, using exemplars and considering practical deliverability and summary discussion.

## Thursday 26 February, Evening Programme

Open to the Public from 6.15pm -8.00pm

- **Open to the Public from 6.15pm to view work in progress**
- **Introduction, Welcome & Summary of the day's work: 6.30pm – 7.00pm**
- **Group Workshops: 7.00pm - 8.00pm**  
Discussion on the proposals so far developed and facilitated group working to feedback views on the proposals.

## Friday 27 February, Dumbarton Burgh Hall

Open to the Public from 9.30pm - 3.00pm

- **Project team working on proposals and drawing up: 9.30am – 12.30pm\***

\***NB** There are no active public sessions during this time but the public and stakeholders can drop-in to view what is going on.

- **Public and Stakeholder Drop-in Session: 1.30pm – 3.00pm**  
The public and stakeholders can discuss and feed back on proposals to the project team and in one-to-one sessions if requested.

## Saturday 28 February, Dumbarton Burgh Hall

Open to the Public from 10.30pm - 1.00pm

- **Public Exhibition with Feedback / Questionnaire Sheets: 10.30am – 1.00pm**  
The exhibition will display annotated plans, drawings and illustrations of proposals developed from the charrette event for comment.

## March 2015

Final Presentation and Feedback event, further details in due course.