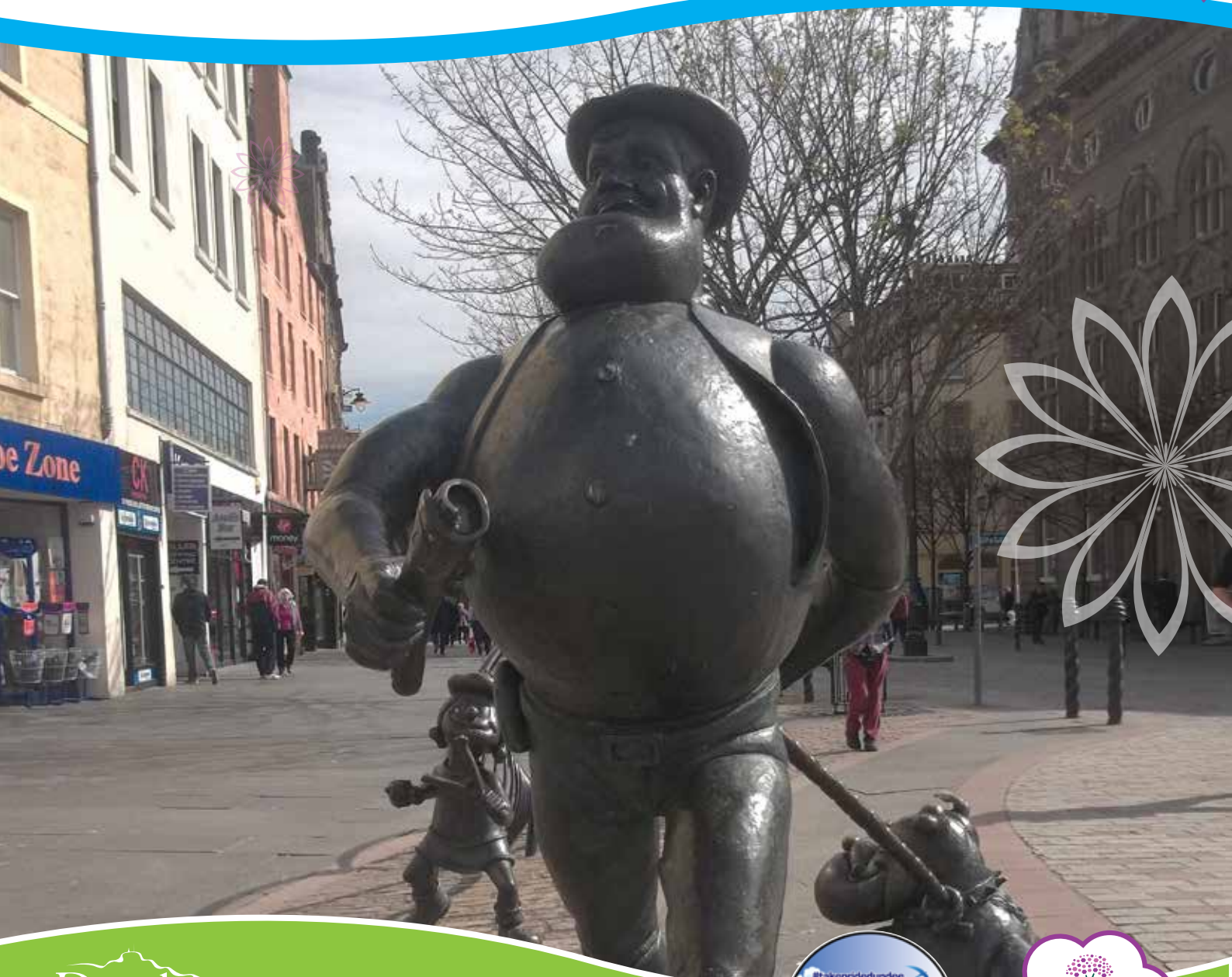
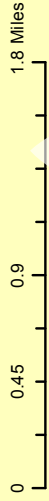


Dundee in Bloom





Britain in Bloom Route 2015



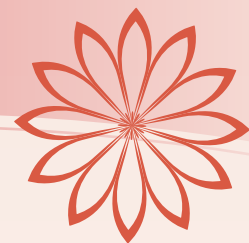
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- Meeting Location
- Driving Routes
- Walking Route
- Other Route Option

Total Drive Distance - 17 Miles (Roughly)

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Partnership Working

Dundee City Council, Bonnie Dundee and the Broughty Ferry in Bloom Group have been working in partnership, with other city groups to promote Dundee's entry in the Britain in Bloom City Campaign for 2015. The Bonnie Dundee Group, which is made up of members from other community groups and individuals in the city, support Dundee's entry into the Britain in Bloom campaign. The group has been busy over the past year working in their shared community poly-tunnel, potting on plug plants for the group's It's Your Neighbourhood Container Garden Project. The annual Bonnie Dundee Garden Competition continues to be popular with local residents, allotment holders, businesses and schools. This continued partnership working with Dundee City Council ensures constant improvement throughout the City.

In the last year, Broughty Ferry in Bloom have planned various events including the Annual Garden Competition, Secret Garden Trail, and a fundraising event, the Snowdrop - In. Projects the

group have worked on in the last year are the floral boat at the harbour, hanging baskets for Brook Street and Gray Street, planters in the Windmill car park, pollinator and edible garden situated in the grounds of Broughty Ferry Library and a planter in Campfield Square. In addition to this they have adopted three new planters for Brook Street and a three tier planter on Douglas Terrace. Plants for all these sites have been raised in the Dundee "In Bloom" groups' poly-tunnel in the community garden in Dawson Park, using plug plants bought from Pentland Plants.

Dundee City Council's contribution to the entry is overseen by a steering group of departmental representatives and is chaired by the Director of the Environment Department. In addition to supporting groups, the Council is making major investment in the environment through the development of the Waterfront Project. The Roundabout Sponsorship Scheme is also assisting in directing investment into upgrading roundabout planting. Each year the department invests approximately £100,000 in capital projects to improve the environmental landscape.



Introduction



I am delighted to introduce the portfolio for Dundee's entry into the Britain in Bloom Final 2015, City Category. This entry and portfolio has been the result of the excellent partnership between Dundee City Council, local community groups, businesses and organisations, which has resulted in a number of environmental improvements and increased community participation.

As Convener of the Environment Committee, I am extremely proud of the public perception of the city's environment and determined to improve further the city's reputation for being a clean, green and sunny city.

To support this work, a new local campaign has been launched "Take Pride in your City", which encourages all our citizens to take pride in Dundee. The campaign focuses on litter, dog fouling, chewing gum, graffiti and fly tipping, asking people and communities to take personal responsibility for their actions.

Launched in May and partnered by the local Evening Telegraph newspaper, the campaign has already received widespread media coverage and encouraged groups to organise litter picks and planting sessions.

As the UK's first UNESCO City of Design, Dundee is bold, ambitious and committed to using design to help solve the cultural, economic and social challenges we face.

As a city rich in design heritage, with thriving design industries and huge potential for the future, Dundee embraces design principles when working to design new projects in the urban environment and when redesigning spaces for existing communities across the city.

The development of the city's green environment is key to achieving Dundee's longer term ambitions and design thinking combined with creativity is reflected in Dundee's Cultural Strategy.

The city is proud of its community involvement and environmental awards. In 2015:

- 11 Communities entered the 'It's Your Neighbourhood' Campaign
- 65 schools registered as Eco Schools in Dundee
- 9 schools have achieved Green Flag Status
- 4 Green Flags have been awarded
- 20 Additional parks are subject to our own Green Flag Assessment
- Broughty Ferry Beach has again obtained the Beach Resort Award
- 20 Litter picks undertaken in the last year as part of the Clean-Up Scotland Campaign August 2014 - until end of August 2015.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers, community groups and sponsors for their continued help and enthusiasm, within Dundee's parks, gardens and open spaces.

Councillor Craig Melville

Convener Environment Committee

"I am delighted that Dundee is part of the Britain in Bloom 2015 Finals City Category. Greener streets are something we can all enjoy and Dundee with its creative, cultural and design credentials is leading the way in some great new projects which are facilitating this."

- Lorraine Kelly, TV presenter

"People express themselves in all sorts of ways such as music and arts, but there is nothing like a nice green space or beautiful garden to help make your heart sing. I am proud that Dundee is helping to create better and more green spaces for its citizens to enjoy."

- Tom Simpson, Musician (Snow Patrol)



Dundee is a green city, with 59 parks, covering 4,000 acres; Dundee has more green space per head of population than anywhere in the UK.

Camperdown Park

The largest park in Dundee stretching to 400 acres and over 190 species of tree are found in the park. The park comprises of the former grounds of Camperdown House, a 19th century mansion, which was bought by the city in 1946.



This mature woodland is the legacy of a visionary 19th century landowner Lord Robert Duncan, Camperdown is notable in horticulture as the origin of the Camperdown Elm (*Ulmus glabre* 'Camperdownii'), a short, broad "weeping" variety of elm which is still found in the park today. The tree was discovered in around 1835-1840 by Lord Camperdown's head forester, David Taylor, who noticed a mutant contorted Wych Elm branch sprawling along the ground. The Earl's gardener produced the first Camperdown Elm by grafting it to the trunk of a normal Wych Elm (*Ulmus glabra*). Every Camperdown Elm is from a cutting taken from that original tree and is grafted on a *Ulmus glabra* trunk. Along with 14 other woodland tree collections, Camperdown Park forms part of the National Tree Collection of Scotland.

Templeton Woods



Templeton Woods has been awarded a Green Flag since 2010. The woods were initially planted in the 1800's by David Taylor, the head

forester to the 1st Earl of Camperdown. Templeton covers over 150 acres and is used by a wide range of people and organisations throughout the city for recreation, volunteering opportunities, training for employment and nature conservation. It is a working woodland managed by the Council's Forestry Section. Red Squirrels are found throughout the woods, making Dundee one of the few cities in Britain to be a home to these rare tree-dwelling mammals.



Trottick Mill Ponds



Another Green Flag Site since 2008, Trottick Mill Ponds Local Nature Reserve is situated on the northern edge of the city. It has an area

of 3 hectares and it is bordered in part by agricultural land to the north. The site provides important links to other areas of natural heritage in the city, allowing the movement of wildlife and plant species.

Trottick Mill Ponds is used by individuals, families and groups on a regular basis. Trottick Mill Ponds is a place for passive and active recreation, education





and relaxation. Educational activities are regularly carried out at Trottick Mill Ponds including school groups, wildlife clubs and adult training in practical conservation and wildlife skills.

Dundee Law

Currently reaching the final planning stage of a £350,000 improvement project, including a recent award of over £80,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Law will see improved access, interpretation and community engagement.

Dundee Law, a result of volcanic activity, formed around 400 million years ago, the 572-foot peak is the city's most distinctive landmark and an enduring attraction for visitors and locals. In the 1820's, the Law had a 300 metre long, 3 meter diameter tunnel driven through its eastern flank to carry the Dundee to Newtyle Railway. Originally drawn by horse, the first locomotive was introduced in 1833 and operated until the 1860's when a new railway line was built to skirt the hill.

Magdalen Green

Magdalen Green has the distinction of being Dundee's oldest city park having been in use for some 400 years and has long been used for both meeting and recreational purposes.

The bandstand, built in 1890, has become a Dundee icon and hosts concerts on Sunday afternoons during the summer. Built at the Saracen Foundry by Walter Macfarlane & Co of Glasgow it was restored in 1991. The summer of 2009 saw the start of much needed repairs to make it safe for future public use.

An active volunteer group - the Friends of Magdalen Green helps look after the park and raises funds for new facilities.



Dundee City Council, working in partnership with the Friends of Magdalen Green, has recently completed the construction of a £170,000 play area themed around local industry and historic features.

Baxter Park



Baxter Park, was designed by Sir Joseph Paxton (renowned gardener and landscape designer of his time, who worked for William

Spencer the sixth Duke of Devonshire and designed Crystal Palace) and donated to the citizens of Dundee by Sir David Baxter and his two sisters Mary Ann and Eleanor, with a trust fund for running and upkeep, managed by a group of trustees.





The 38 acre Park was constructed over two areas of ground, the lower park being a field and the upper, a disused quarry, which was filled in for use as a part of the construction. The northern part was laid out as a pleasure garden with walks through open areas of grass and flower beds and the southern part as a parade ground. A large terrace running east-west, in front of the Sandstone Pavilion, linked the two parts.



A Heritage Lottery Grant - Urban Parks Programme, of £3.5m was secured in February 2002 and a restoration programme undertaken which was completed in July 2008. The complete project budget was £4.2m.

Dawson Park

Dawson Park is the result of a bequest in 1940, by Mr. William Dawson of Broughty Ferry "for the purpose of providing playing fields, sports grounds or other recreational facilities..."

The ground was purchased from the Douglas and Angus Estate in 1949, and the park was opened in the mid 1950's. Recent Improvements have involved the development of the tennis facility within the park and Increased partnership working with the Scottish association of Mental Health in the running of Duntrune Community Garden.



Barnhill Rock Garden



The first recipient of the Green Flag Award in Dundee in 2007, the Barnhill Rock Garden is a public park extending to more than two

hectares, owned and maintained by Dundee City Council with significant support from the Friends of the Barnhill Rock Garden. It is situated on part of a former nine-hole golf course which was laid out when the Dundee to Aberdeen railway line was built; is on the Visit Scotland tourist trail and is open to the public at all times.





Riverside Nature Park

Riverside Nature Park has been created from Dundee's old landfill site and opened in 2011. Trees and wildflowers have been planted to form new wildlife habitats. Visitors will find new paths, view points and information signs to help explore the park.

The Nature Park enjoys an important location on the Tay Estuary. The water quality of the Firth of Tay is one of the best in Europe for a major estuary. The estuary has many important natural heritage designations because of the number of species it supports.

The Friends of Riverside Nature Park undertake litter picks, environmental improvement projects and carry out surveys of the biodiversity of the park. Within the park and on the adjacent Tay River the friends have identified over 130 different species of birds including some rare migrants.

The University of Dundee

The Dundee University Botanic Gardens will host the Britain in Bloom tour presentation and the tour will start from there. The city centre campus covers 22 hectares in the heart of the city and is fully accessible to the public. It has over 1,000 trees, 2 wildflower areas and an orchard. The University has an ever increasing recycling rate - currently at 75% and last year through furniture reuse saved over £100,000. Also in the last 12 months they have increased the number of solar powered bins on campus to 23 and created 5 new external recycling points. 10% of the workforce 'on their bikes' and have increased bicycle parking by over 500% in the last 8 years.

“Creating sustainable green spaces for people to enjoy and our wildlife to prosper in cities is a great ambition and Dundee is working hard to deliver on this through a variety of events and activities to encourage this.”

- Professor Pete Downes, University of Dundee



Dundee's 'Take Pride in Your City' Campaign

Dundee City Council has launched a city wide campaign which is being supported by business leaders, politicians and local residents. The aims to motivate city residents to help in the effort to prevent litter, dog fouling, chewing gum, flytipping and graffiti from blighting neighbourhoods.

The 'Take Pride in Your City' campaign has been rolled out across communities and public spaces. Councillor Craig Melville said "We have had a very encouraging reaction to campaigns in the past when we have focused on issues like litter enforcement and dog fouling"

"With Take Pride, we are trying to grow a sustained effort that will change public attitudes to littering and to help us all make Dundee a better place to live.

"This campaign will build on Dundee's already impressive track record on cleanliness and public satisfaction about the quality of our parks and open spaces," he said.

"I want this campaign to become an inspiration for people to play their part in assisting with further improvements in the future."

Director of Environment, Ken Laing, said that many people in Dundee already helped to keep the city clean, but through the campaign it is hoped to do even better.

He said "We are aware we already score highly on cleanliness compared to other Scottish cities, but this is about ambition, and we want to improve."

'Take Pride in Your City' will also form an important part in Dundee's bid in the city category of this years Britain in Bloom competition.

'Take Pride in Your City' will encourage and support initiatives involving:

- Broughty Ferry Beach
- City Centre
- Woodlands
- Sports Pitches
- Schools
- Neighborhoods
- Parks
- Cemeteries
- Clean Up Scotland



Clean Up Date	Local Authority	City	Location	Organisation
23 Aug 2014	Dundee City	Dundee	Balgay Park	Friends of Balgay
05 Dec 2014	Dundee City	Dundee	Dundee	Project ESOL group
11 Jan 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Riverside Nature Park	Friends of Riverside Nature Park
18 Jan 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Riverside Nature Park	Friends of Riverside Nature Park
06 Feb 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	West entrance of Dundee Docks	SUSTRANS
14 Feb 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Finlathen Park, Fintry	Transform Community Development
28 Feb 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Camperdown Country Park	McDonald's
19 Apr 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Invergowrie	SUSTRANS
19 Apr 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Hawkhill, Dundee	Tin Roof Dundee
25 Apr 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Fairfield Park, Dundee	Fairfield Sports & Leisure Hub
26 Apr 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Dundee Law meet at lower Car Park	Countryside Ranger Service
08 May 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Local area around school	Blackness Primary School
09 May 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Dudhope Park, Dundee	The Friends of Dudhope Park
14 May 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Broughty Ferry Beach	Grove Academy
31 May 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Clatto Park	Dundee City Council
06 Jun 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Meet at Lochee Park Pavilion. Litter pick in surrounding area adjacent to Ancrum Drive	Bonnie Dundee
08 Jun 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Broughty Ferry Beach	McDonalds
11 Jun 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Finlathen Park, Dundee	McDonalds
20 Jun 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Sandy Park, Broughty Ferry	Balgillo Residents
04 Aug 2015	Dundee City	Dundee	Menziesshill, Dundee	Police Scotland Youth Volunteers Dundee

TOTAL: 20

Horticultural Activities



SPRING

March 2015 - Alan from Bonnie Dundee Group potting on the summer plug plants at the group's poly tunnel at Duntrune Community Garden.

April 2015 - Dundee Daffodil show, which is held in the Boomarang hall in Albert Street, attracts local daffodil growers as well as the top growers from throughout Scotland.



April 2015 - Tree planting in Mill O Mains Park as part of Scotland's National Tree Project with local children with help from Dundee City Council Operations team.



May 2015 - at Riverside Nature Park with colourful cowslip growing freely within the highland cow pasture.

April 2015 - Sowing of verges and roundabouts was undertaken by Dundee City Council using Colour Splash and Cornfield annual mixes.



May 2015 - Ardler Group growing wild seed at the Community Centre.

April 2015 - A splash of spring sunshine, colourful Daffodils on Magdalen Green



May 2015 - Beautiful flowering cherries at the tree avenue at Arbroath Road in Eastern Cemetery and Stobsmuir Park Rose Garden.



April 2015 - Ardler Environmental Group working in poly tunnel in Camperdown Nursery.



May 2015 - Hanging baskets are planted up by the Environment Department's gardeners and are ready to be assembled along city centre.



May 2015 - Bluebells on the Miley.

May 2015 - Friends of Barnhill Rock Garden Spring Floral Display



May 2015 - A lovely avenue of Pieris shrubs brightens up a residential street along Dixon Avenue. The display adds a splash of colour for local residents and visitors to enjoy.

May 2015 - City Churches colourful display of spring flowering Bellis gives a dash of brightness to cheer up visitors in the town centre.

May /June 2015 - Judging takes place of Dundee's 4 Green Flag sites. In 2014, Baxter

Park, Barnhill Rock Garden, Templeton Woods and Trottick Local Nature Reserve received the Green Flag Award.



Internal Green Flag Sites

The Environment Department is using the internal "Green Flag" assessments as a bench marking tool for public parks and open spaces, by using the criteria from the Green Flag Award Programme. Each rating will provide an evidence base for demonstrating continued improvement and to ensure a consistent standard. Over time it is hoped that every area within the city boundary has public parks and open spaces of excellent quality.

Finlathen Park, Downfield Park, Hilltown Park, South Road, Camperdown Park, Middleton Wood, Dawson Park, Drumgeith Park, Magdalen Green, The Law, Dudhope Park, Caird Park, Eastern Cemetery, Stobsmuir Park, Birkhill Cemetery, Riverside Nature Park, Western Cemetery, Greater Balgay, The Howff, Castle Green were all assessed in 2014.



June 2015 - Apprentice gardener plants up bedding at Provost Road flower bed.



Eco-Schools

Eco-Schools are the largest sustainable schools programme in the world and are operated internationally by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE). It connects 15 million children, young people and educators through sustainable development education and is the biggest learning network in the world.

Eco-Schools are an international initiative designed to encourage whole-school community action on Learning for Sustainability. It is an environmental management tool, a learning resource and a recognised award scheme which empowers children and young people to take action towards an economically, socially and environmentally just world.

Dundee's Eco-Schools

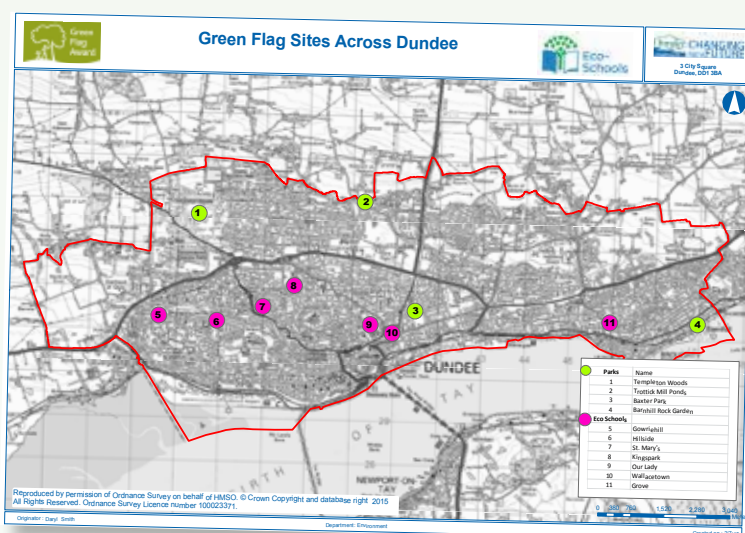
There are currently 65 schools registered with the Eco-Schools programme in Dundee City.

Of these, 9 schools hold Green Flag awards:

- Gowriehill Primary School
- Grove Academy
- Hillside Primary School
- Kings Park School
- Menzieshill Nursery School
- Our Lady's Primary School
- St Mary's RC Primary School
- Wallacetown Nursery

Situated in the grounds of Ninewells Hospital, the independent Teddy Bear Nursery is set in an attractive natural landscape with mature trees and well maintained enclosed gardens. The nursery have received a GREEN FLAG! Eco-Schools award, which recognises their achievements towards a sustainable lifestyle.

The nursery has also been awarded a Gold Award by the Woodland Trust for getting involved in green activities including tree planting, visiting local woods and recycling.



SUMMER

The new sustainable planting display at the crazy golf facility in Castle Green.



Gowrie Care Therapeutic Garden in Duntrune Community Garden.



June 2015 - Broughty Ferry In Bloom Dolphin bed of Castle Green and Ann, Mary and Neil at planted up harbour boat Community Garden.



June 2015 - Broughty Ferry in Bloom completed the re-planting of the railway station planters. After being threatened with heavy rain at the start, they finished with bright sunshine. They added a new member to their planting team - Sheila Samson's husband came along to give a hand.



June 2015 - Bonnie Dundee Group tidying beds and planting.



June 2015 - Vetch and Northern Marsh orchids at the Stannergate.



June 2015 - Volunteers are working in partnership with the Overgate Centre to improve the external environment of Dundee's premier shopping centre.



Garden & Allotment Competition

July 2015 - the citywide annual Garden & Allotment Competition is run by Dundee City Council to encourage the community, including schools, citizens and communities, to take pride and an interest in their city. It is open to all residents within the city boundary and has 14 categories for citizens to enter. The competition is sponsored by Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Dundee and Apex City Quay Hotel and attracts approximately more than 60 entries each year.

AUTUMN

Duntrune & Camperdown Polythene Tunnels

September 2014 - Bonnie Dundee Group, Ardler Environmental Group & Broughty Ferry in Bloom Group purchased and potted up spring bedding for 2015, at Dundee Environment Department's Duntrune Community Garden and Camperdown Park Nursery.

September 2014 - plants have been continually watered by the Bonnie Dundee Group members & Broughty Ferry in Bloom Group at Duntrune Community Garden.

September 2014 - Dundee City Council Environment Committee approved Environmental Open Space Improvements proposals to the value of £100,000 at a number of locations. The proposals have been developed to enhance the amenity whilst, at the same time, reduce the long term maintenance burden.

- Lochee Bypass Adjacent to Underpass - Improvements to existing planting with low maintenance shrubs
- Yarrow Terrace/Dochart Terrace - Regenerate existing shrub beds including reshaping and replanting with new shrub varieties and establish new grass areas
- Greenbank Place - Replacement of existing conifer hedge



- Riverside Drive - Re-design existing planting schemes at three roundabouts; Regenerate and enhance the existing tree plantations, incorporating new shrub planting and creation of new wildflower areas; and recontour grass banking, install new seating and litter bins and minor improvements to access track west of Bridgeview Station Restaurant
- Victoria Park - Re-design soft landscaping at south east entrance, including reshaping of planted areas, removal of hedging together with the installation of seating and litter bins
- Marketgait - Re-design of planted areas at West Port and Seagate roundabouts
- Salton Crescent - Regenerate area by undertaking landscaping and contouring works, including the removal of existing fencing and shrubs and establishing new grass areas
- Berwick Drive - Regenerate southern embankment east of entrance to Braeview Academy by removing a number of tree plantations, reshaping and establishing new grass areas
- Windmill Gardens - Complete final phase of high amenity planting and reshaping works
- Dawson Park - Remove old heather planted area and return to grass. Upgrade path areas at sunken garden and upgrade signage at two access areas to the park.

This work was undertaken during the winter 2014/15



September 2014 -

Dundee Flower and Food Festival

Dundee Food & Flower Festival

Over the first weekend in September, the annual Dundee Food and Flower Festival is held at Camperdown Park. The Festival includes a packed weekend programme of free cookery demonstrations, children's activities, a craft fair, live music, quality food products and much more. In the Floral Marquee, visitors enjoy the amazing colour and fragrance of the stunning displays of top-class cut flowers, along with wonderful examples of vegetables and floral art. In 2015 the festival will host the UK's National Vegetable Championships and the Scottish National Chrysanthemum and Dahlia Society Show. Broughty Ferry in Bloom and Bonnie Dundee Groups show off their gardening expertise in the pallet garden competition. The Council's Environment Department won the Lord Provost's Trophy for the best show garden.



Celebrity line-up includes:

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Nick Nairn
- 
Paul Rankin
- 
The Beechgrove Gardeners:
Jim McColl, Carole Baxter & George Anderson

£2 off each ticket when you book before 27 Aug

Tickets from:
Dundee City Box Office
01382 434940

5-7 September 2014
Camperdown Country Park
10.00am - 5.30pm

www.flowerandfoodfestival.com



October 2014 - Youngest member of Bonnie Dundee Group, Elsie helping in the poly tunnel at Duntrune Community Garden carrying begonias outside to harden off.

The Dundee Flower and Food Festival wish to thank its partners who have generously given the Festival their support. The Committee hope that the partners will find their association with the Dundee Flower and Food Festival worthwhile, their help is invaluable.



WINTER

Jan/Feb/March 2015 - Dundee City Council's new Community Allotments Officer supports community gardens in Dundee's regeneration areas. She can offer help and advice with gardening for food and can advise on where to apply for funding.

Her experience includes lots of gardening, keeping chickens, running community gardens and working with schools, out-of-school groups and varied community groups. Below is a list of training activities that were developed for the new community garden in Douglas.



Douglas Community Growing Space

Constructed as part of Dundee City Council's capital improvement programme in spring 2014, the project is now supported by the Community Allotment Officer and an extremely keen group of garden volunteers.

Community Gardens Elsewhere:

20 Jan 2015, Kate Treharne

Insulation and insolation:

27 Jan 2015, Kate Treharne

Planning and Planting:

3 Feb 2015, Michael Laird

Planting Seed - timing and cover:

10 Feb 2015, Kate Treharne

Plant Types for Food:

17 Feb 2015, Kate Treharne

Composting:

24 Feb 2015, Kate Treharne

Wildlife in the Garden:

3 Mar 2015, Kate Treharne

Soft Fruit cultivation:

10 Mar 2015, Kate Treharne

Pricking out and potting on:

17 Mar 2015, Kate Treharne

More Seeds:

24 Mar 2015, Kate Treharne

Weeds!

31 Mar 2015, Kate Treharne

Herb Cultivation:

7 Apr 2015, Kate Treharne



February 2015 - Improvements to the open space at Crescent Lane were made with the help of approximately £19,000 from the Community Regeneration Fund.

Work took around 1 month to complete in early 2015.. The space has become rejuvenated and more user friendly, particularly benefitting residents close by who have improved views and brighter gardens.

It was important to retain most of the existing mature trees to preserve character and habitat, while some self-seeded trees growing too close to houses were removed. New cherry and hornbeam trees were planted in a row along the footpath which will provide seasonal colour and flower.

A generous selection of native, evergreen and deciduous, flowering and non flowering shrubs were planted to provide an aesthetically pleasing and biodiverse shrub border that skirts the newly grassed space.

The end result has been received well and the space is now a more attractive gateway into the town for both pedestrians and car passengers.

February 2015 - Tree planting at Middleton Community Woodland, trees provided by the Woodland Trust and planted by Dundee Countryside Rangers, Bonnie Dundee and Dundee Conservation Volunteers.

January/February/March 2015

Dundee Waterfront Mary Slessor Garden Construction

At the heart of the Central Waterfront area will be a large avenue of open space extending from the existing Caird Hall Complex to the water's edge.

The main parkland area is Slessor Gardens, 10,738sqm in size and designed to be a multi-functional space with capacity to host large events. Works to deliver Slessor Gardens were tendered in 2013 and contractors started on site in February 2014. It is expected that works will be complete in early 2016.



The works include the completion of all remaining road and drainage infrastructure works, a Sustainable Urban Drainage Pond and Slessor Gardens. The proposed Waterfront is adjacent to the River Tay and extends to 5,415sqm. It will contain the UK's only outpost of the V&A Museum.

Construction Progress

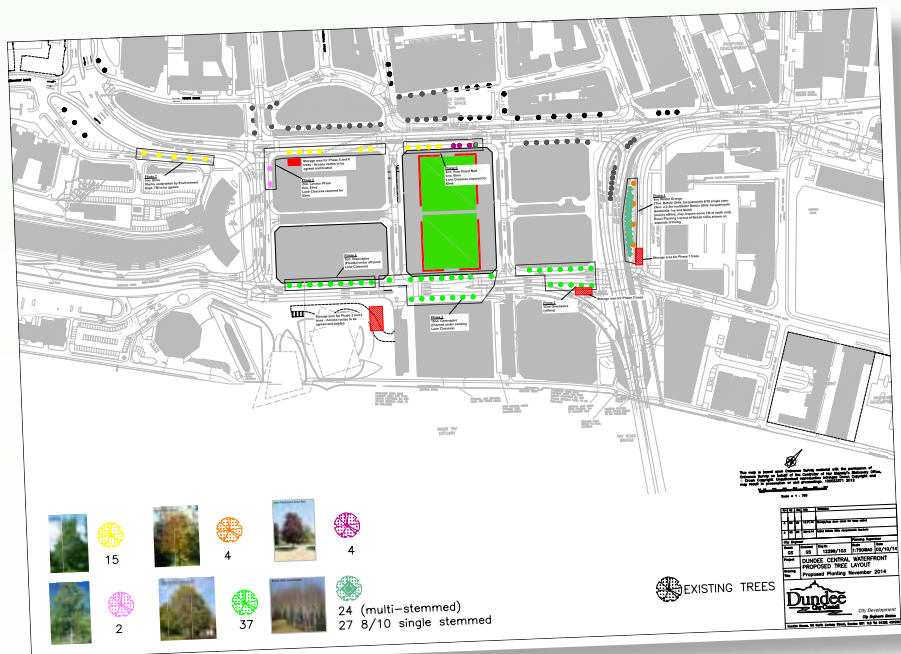
November 2014 - Tree planting programme is underway at the Waterfront.

May 2015 - Work on the paved areas continues as well as the surfacing of South Castle Street and South Crichton Street. Work has now commenced to install the footway alongside Thomson Avenue and on Earl Grey Place West.



April 2015 - Work continues on the construction of South Castle Street and South Crichton Street and associated parking areas. Construction has commenced on the footways within Slessor Gardens and all of the trees which will surround the lawn are now in place.

March 2015 - The main central open space is now officially titled 'Slessor Gardens', the works to form the boundary footpaths are continuing and the new roads to either side (South Crichton Street and South Castle Street) are taking shape. All the underground works for utilities are now complete, with all the cables and pipes installed and buried. There are 76 pleached limes around the main grass



area of Slessor Gardens. Similar to the main roads, the trees have been planted within a tree trench constructed using GreenBlue Urban (formerly Greenleaf) planting system i.e. plastic cells filled with topsoil. There is a useful description of the space on the Dundee Waterfront website.

Work is underway to develop new smaller gardens. There are no real planting details for them yet, but it is currently thought that these will be sponsored in order to fund the landscaping of the areas. They are currently the subject of a competition.

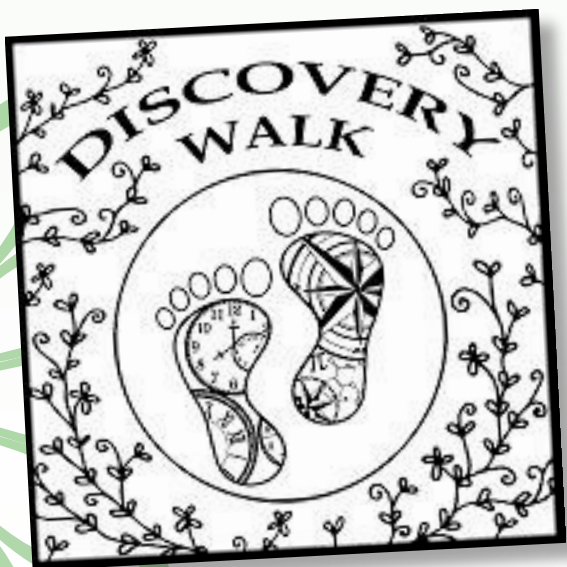
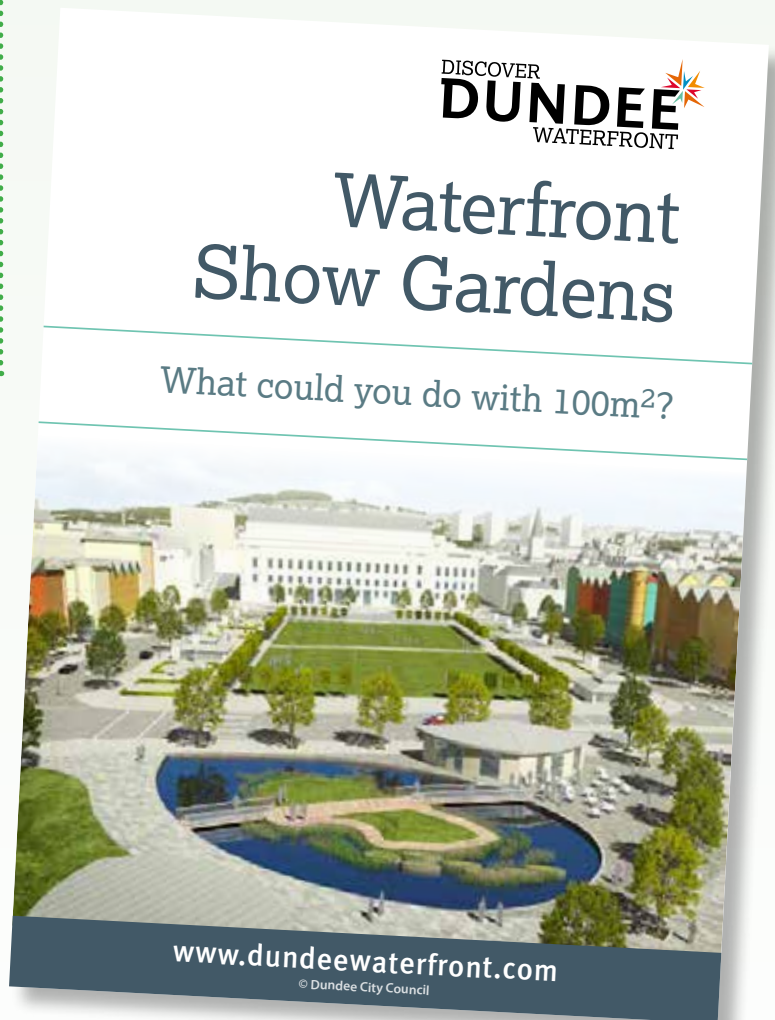
Heritage walk

“Dundee has been home to some amazing people who have contributed to science and society. To celebrate them, The Discovery Walk is being created as part of the new Dundee Waterfront and will comprise nine plaques set into the Green space.

In partnership with University of Abertay, Dundee’s 9,000 facebook followers had the chance to vote which nine famous Dundee Scientists would be part of the walk from a shortlist of 14. The Walk will be in place later in the year.”



Waterfront Garden competition



Community Activities



SPRING



April 2015 - Queen Street Garden, a group of volunteers from Grove Academy and the wider community went along in the school holidays to mark National Gardening Week. The bug hotel was finished, the wildflowers plugs were planted out in a new raised beds and a newly constructed small rockery. Some of the invasive plants were removed and a fresh sowing of the 'Grow Wild' seed was scattered to prolong the flowering season.



May 2015 - Dundee Festival of Volunteering Event now in its third year is getting bigger and better each year. This year's event was launched with various stalls giving information about organisations and volunteering opportunities around Dundee. The event was held in Dundee City Square on Saturday 30 May. This was followed by a week long festival of volunteering in various venues across Dundee to celebrate and promote the thousands of volunteers and volunteering opportunities throughout the city. Bonnie Dundee Group attended to promote the work that they do and to actively seek new members to join their group. The group also arranged planting and litter picking events during the week.

Duntrune Spring Summer Children and Adults Workshops



May 2015 - Whorterbank Community Garden

This new vegetable patch is the result of lots of hard work by the local children to clear the weeds and get this area ready. 'The Whorterbank Tattie Patch' is a project supported by Dundee City Council's Community Allotment Officer. Dundee City Council's Fairness Strategy and Action Plan identified the need to introduce community allotment initiatives in Community Regeneration Areas. In May 2013 Dundee City Council's Environment Committee gave approval to the Director of Environment to take forward three community allotment projects and to identify funding for a Community Allotment Officer to co-ordinate the project. 'The Whorterbank Tattie Patch' is an example of a project being taken forward. We hope people will enjoy watching the plants grow and want to eat some of the produce at harvest time.



SUMMER



June 2015 - The Ark Nursery planting seeds.



June 2015 - School garden competition.



June 2015 - Volunteers from Dundee Ahmadiyya Muslim community helped in litter pick at Grassy and Broughty Ferry beaches and its surrounding as part of #Takepridedundee community cleanup initiative.

July 2015 - Broughty Garden competition and the Secret Garden Trail are organised by Broughty Ferry in Bloom.

Broughty Ferry Gala Week

July 2015 - Broughty Ferry Gala Week is the town's annual Summer Festival. The Broughty Gala Week, has been a hugely popular and a regular event since the early 1900's. It is now regarded as the foremost summer community festival in Tayside. Organised by the Broughty Ferry Traders' Association, the week-long packed programme of daily and evening events cater for children of all ages and adults alike, and commence with The Gala Week Fete held at Castle Green on the opening day. A full Gala Week booklet is also available from local shops at that time. Many of the events are free of charge and sponsored by Broughty Ferry Businesses and Monies raised during Gala Week are donated to local charities and organisations in Broughty Ferry.



AUTUMN

September 2014 - Queen Street Garden, Grove Academy have been working hard to increase biodiversity and to find out exactly which plants are growing at Queen Street. After the summer holidays some pupils began clearing away the growth of the summer. They managed to clear enough space to sow the 'Grow Wild' seed mix. The first work session ended with harvesting veg from last season sowing. The carrots were an interesting shape! The spinach, chard and parsley are still growing and can continue to be harvested this year. Clearing away the rest of the growth was so much easier with a strimmer! One new volunteer came along and cleared the rest of the area making the site much more presentable.

October 2014 - Dundee City Council and award winning 'It's your Neighbourhood' entrants from Dundee travel through to Stirling to attend the annual KSB Awards Seminar. The 'It's Your Neighbourhood' Campaign provides an opportunity for smaller community groups to get involved in the wider RHS Britain in Bloom campaign. Dundee City's community gardening groups are focused on cleaning and greening up their local area, on the streets, housing estates and in their local community centre's outdoor spaces. Eight Dundee groups participated in the scheme in 2014 and a further three groups are taking part in 2015.

Ardler Environment Group - Thriving

The group has worked together for over 10 years to enhance their neighbourhood. There are three small gardens at the entrance to the Ardlar Community Centre, which give a colourful and interesting welcome to users.

Castlehill Gardeners - Thriving

The garden, on a small area beside the Ark Nursery and St Paul's Cathedral, is a little jewel in the city centre. It is crammed with innovative learning opportunities and is a model for others to replicate. The groups' mission is: We aim to brighten your day. We hope we succeed. You do indeed.

Bonnie Dundee – Thriving

The Container Garden Group continues to plant, water and maintain a range of planters in the car park beside the Dundee Science Centre and on Union Street in a busy section of the City.

Friends of Barnhill Rock Garden - Outstanding

In existence for over 15 years, with a membership which now nears 500, the Friends of Barnhill Rock Garden work in close partnership with Dundee City

Council and the full time gardener to maintain and develop a highly regarded and much appreciated amenity in Broughty Ferry.

Queen Street Car Park Wildflower Garden - Thriving

This tiny area between a busy car park and the railway line in Broughty Ferry has been transformed into a swathe of colour over the years by students of Grove Academy and adult volunteers led by Mary Holligan.

The Maxwell Centre Everyone's Garden - Thriving

In a very short time a derelict site has been transformed into a productive, attractive and welcoming community garden.

The Miley Group - Thriving

The Scottish Wildlife Trust initiated this wildlife corridor on a mile long track which was part of the former Dundee to Newtyle Railway line in 1992. 'The Miley' has been tended by an enthusiastic group of volunteers to sustain a varied habitat for a wealth of wildlife. It is appreciated by residents as a peaceful sanctuary in the heart of the city

New for 2015:

Transform Community Development

A local group who aim to create a better environment for communities to the north of Dundee.

Enactus Dundee, are a group of students who are striving to improve the local community through entrepreneurial actions. The group looks after a community garden at the University of Dundee Botanic Gardens, the group runs a facebook page and has gained donations from Mole Seeds, Thompson and Morgan and Sutton Seeds.

Menzieshill Community Garden

A productive plot growing vegetables for local communities, cafes and based at a local church.

October 2014 - Bonnie Dundee and the Dundee Urban Orchard Project, plant fruit trees in the planters at Dundee Science Centre.



Orchard City

DUO (Dundee Urban Orchard) is a city wide art project that supports individuals and community groups to plant and care for small-scale orchards within Dundee.

In addition to the practical benefits of enhancing biodiversity, reconnecting individuals and community groups to local greenspaces and raising awareness of where food comes from, DUO offer art workshops for all ages and experiences with a focus on sustainability.

In an urban environment like Dundee it's easy to lose connection to the food we eat. A large proportion of the food available in Dundee has travelled long distances and is purchased in packaged or processed

form from supermarket shelves. Planting, caring for and harvesting an orchard go a long way to bridging this disconnect.

October 2014 - DUO celebrated Dundee as the world's first Orchard City. Between March 2013 and May 2015 DUO helped plant 24 orchards in Dundee, including Botanic Garden, Colleges, Hospital Garden, High Schools, Primary Schools, Community Gardens, Library, Wildlife Park, Churches and a Families House.



WINTER

Community Garden Projects

Lochee Community Orchard

January/February/March 2015 - Saw the start of a two site project involving Dundee City Council and the Lochee Gardeners group. Lochee Community Garden and Orchard is an example of a community involved in planting session with DUO members.

This site was an unloved corner plot by a busy junction in Lochee. The Lochee Community Gardeners have taken on its maintenance. They want it to be used as a peaceful spot for relaxing and enjoying the wildlife and greenery. A wall-trained orchard has been planted in partnership with Dundee Urban Orchard. Local children helped to plant the trees and rare mining bees came to grab some of the soil.

The Lochee Community allotment was constructed by Dundee City Council as part of a £30,000 capital improvement project to Ancrum Road Allotments.

The Maxwell Centre Everyone's Garden

Dundee's Maxwell Centre was given a grant to run its community garden and environment project.

The scheme received a share of more than £3.6 million from the Scottish Government's Climate Challenge Fund announced by Minister for Environment and Climate Change, Paul Wheelhouse.

The garden gives the community the chance to grow fruit, vegetables and herbs and address air pollution, conservation and the sustainability of food through learning and development opportunities.

Andy Finlay, a volunteer at the Maxwell Centre, said: "The funding from the Climate Challenge Fund, together with the funding we received from the Coldside Regeneration Forum provided the support and expertise to help us to develop an accessible, purpose-built area, to offer learning and volunteering opportunities within a garden and environmental area to the whole community."



Duntrune Community Garden

Duntrune Community Garden is owned and run by Dundee City Council, with the day to day management being undertaken by the Scottish Association of Mental Health. A range of gardening groups are active within the garden including.

Bonnie Dundee
Broughty Ferry in Bloom
Dundee and District Fuchsia Society
Dundee Photographic Society

Ninewells Community Garden and activities within the grounds

The development of this beautiful garden in the grounds of Ninewells Hospital has been progressing for the past 18 months. Volunteers do most of the work. The garden benefitted greatly from the help of the BBC Beechgrove Garden programme. In the 2014 Beautiful Scotland Awards, the garden won the David Welch award for something special.

February 2015 - Queen Street Garden, the group were back to plant out snowdrops and native bluebells. One of their aims is to increase biodiversity so having native plants that will come up each spring is a good addition to their range. They also gained access to the stone shed on the site and that has been a great help to them.

February was a busy month as a small group came back to tackle the big job of installing a wildlife pond. Last year's CSV grant has covered the cost of the pond, landscaping and a wide selection of new wildflower plugs. Most of which were planted out at the later spring event.

Later in the month the Nature Nutters, a group of young environmentalists, went along to help build a bug hotel (with contributions from Jewsons). The group also filled their new raised beds with compost donated by Dundee City Council ready for planting out some of last year's wildflowers grown from seed.

February 2015 - Broughty Ferry in Bloom Snow Drop In, fund raising activity involving plant sale, coffee morning and a display of snowdrops.



Environmental Activities

SPRING

May 2015 - Bioblitz at Trottick, "Bio Blitz" is a large scale event that engages people with biodiversity, inviting them to get directly involved in surveying and monitoring their local wildlife and green spaces. During a Bio Blitz event scientists and members of the public work together to survey a natural space; seeking, identifying and recording as many species as possible over 24 hours.



A BioBlitz is an unrivalled opportunity to bring people from all walks of life together, enabling them to discover and experience what nature has to offer. Another important aim of a BioBlitz is for the public to understand the diversity of wildlife living on their doorstep. It's an ideal opportunity to establish the degree of biodiversity within the site whilst giving everyone the chance to experience nature, learn, have fun, be inspired from experts and understand why wildlife recording is important.

A BioBlitz brings together adults and children from all backgrounds and expertise, as no existing

knowledge about nature or wildlife is needed to be able to take part. Volunteers, students, naturalists, families, school groups and everyone in between can come along.

SUMMER

Roll out of the 'Take Pride' campaign continues.





AUTUMN

City residents welcome food, waste and recycling service

Dundee City Council has begun the roll out of its major service change project to introduce a new collection service throughout the city providing opportunities for all households to recycle more materials at home such as food waste, plastic, metals, cans and glass. Collections go to a fortnightly residual waste collection instead of weekly. Phase one went live on 23 March 2015 and the process of rolling out Phase two is ongoing. There are four further phases.

Currently only 32% of household waste is recycled in Dundee. The new arrangements will allow all residents regardless of where they live or what type of property they live in to recycle more in a convenient way. It is anticipated that by implementing the changes, a target of recycling more than 50% of waste by 2018, will be met.

Larger items can be recycled at one of two Household Waste Recycling Centres at Riverside or Baldovie.

As well as encouraging local residents to recycle, Dundee City Council is introducing a number of reuse and waste reduction initiatives, shifting the focus from how Dundee's waste is dealt with to reducing the amount produced in the first place. Working in close partnership with local social enterprises, Dundee City Council is establishing a reuse hub at Baldovie Recycling Centre with the aim of reducing the amount of reusable electronic and household items going to waste in Dundee. This initiative will not only increase the availability of affordable household items but will further benefit local communities by providing training and employment opportunities for those working within the reuse hub. Furthermore, in line with widespread changes to domestic waste

collection services, Dundee City Council is rolling out an internal recycling service to all Council buildings including schools, offices, and leisure facilities in line with the major service change project timescales. With over 7000 employees, the new recycling policy will show Dundee City Council to be a leading example of a sustainable workplace.

WINTER

Discovery Compost is produced locally by Dundee City from the garden waste that residents put into their brown wheeled bins plus green waste produced from local parks and commercial landscapers.


Discovery Compost is certified to Publicly Available Specification 100 (PAS 100) standard which guarantees it is of a consistently high quality and is fit for purpose. The standard covers the entire composting process from the raw materials through to how the finished product is labelled and means producers know they are making a quality product and buyers know they are receiving quality compost.

The compost can be used as a peat-free soil conditioner, mulch or top soil substitute in domestic gardens and allotments or in larger scale projects such as commercial landscaping, agricultural uses and golf courses.



Photos from clean ups:

Countryside Rangers Conservation Winter Programme

 Volunteer Programme 2015 The Ranger Service are offering the following programme of public volunteering afternoons. We provide all tools and training. Everyone is welcome and we will have jobs to suit all abilities, young and old! All you need are clothes to suit the changeable Scottish weather and some stout footwear.		
All sessions run from 1pm-3pm		
Date	Location	Activity
Tuesday 6 th January	Trottick Ponds Local Nature Reserve www.dundeecc.gov.uk/rangerservice/trottickponds Meet at the old Claverhouse Pub Entrance	Tree pruning
Sunday 18 th January	Templeton Woods www.dundeecc.gov.uk/rangerservice/templetonwoods Meet at the Visitor Centre	Woodland management
Tuesday 3 rd February	Trottick Ponds Local Nature Reserve Meet at the old Claverhouse Pub Entrance	Maintaining/ clearing the lades
Sunday 8 th February	Broughty Ferry LNR www.dundeecc.gov.uk/rangerservice/broughty Meet at the old railway arch entrance	Gorse and broom Bashing
Sunday 22 nd February	Balgay Hill www.dundeecc.gov.uk/rangerservice/balgayhill Meet at the Mills Observatory	Bird and bat boxes
Tuesday 3 rd March	Trottick Ponds Local Nature Reserve Meet at the old Claverhouse Pub Entrance	Spring clean
Sunday 8 th March	Templeton Woods Meet at the start of the Templeton Tangle	MTB dig day - help us to maintain the new mountain bike skills trail
Sunday 22 nd March	Middleton Community Woods www.dundeecc.gov.uk/rangerservice/middleton Meet at the green park in the carpark	Woodland management
Tuesday 7 th April	Trottick Ponds Local Nature Reserve www.dundeecc.gov.uk/rangerservice/trottickponds Meet at the old Claverhouse Pub Entrance	Wildflower seed planting
Sunday 26 th April	The Law www.dundeecc.gov.uk/supporters/dundeecc/ Meet at the car park	Spring Clean



Red Card for Pitch Litter

January 2015 - Footballers in Dundee parks are being urged to show the red card to pitch litter.

Dundee City Council and Zero Waste Scotland teamed up to deliver a new litter prevention project, working with local football teams, coaches, managers and supporters to reduce the amount of litter left after games in public parks.



The amount and types of litter at the pitches were recorded and there was a survey of players, managers, coaches, supporters and spectators about the issues. Following this initial investigation of the litter problems caused by plastic bottles and other items left around pitches, a new pilot project is being kicked off to try and raise awareness and cut down on weekend match litter.

Dundee City Council Environment Convener,

Councillor Craig Melville said: "This is a great way to engage with people who use our facilities week in and week out.

"We want to raise awareness of littering issues and ask players and supporters to leave the pitches and surrounding areas as clean as they can.

"As part of our wider push to increase Dundee's recycling rate, this is a simple and effective way to tackle litter and make sure that any plastic bottles are recycled and counted towards our total. I will be interested to see how this pilot works out.

"Parks and green spaces are there to be enjoyed by everyone in Dundee. I am keen that this campaign can highlight the role that people can play in keeping these areas clean."

Commenting on the launch of the project, Iain Gulland, Chief Executive, Zero Waste Scotland, said: "Litter is a blight on communities across Scotland and no one knows that more than the people who live in them.

"That's why they, and we, are determined to tackle the problem with targeted actions, like this fantastic co-operative effort by football players, teams coaches and their families and supporters across Dundee, to

raise awareness of the litter problem and try to keep the pitches, and the areas around them, litter-free, so that everyone can continue to enjoy their leisure time there."

The final phase will involve further litter monitoring to assess the impact of the project. If successful, the approach could be implemented in other areas of the city.

WARPit

Dundee City Council's innovative online resource-redistribution tool - WARPit (Waste Action Reuse Portal) makes it easy for staff to obtain surplus resources (e.g. furniture, equipment, electrical items, office consumables, stationery, and technical equipment) within Dundee City Council and beyond, reducing procurement spend and waste disposal costs, as well as minimising waste and reducing carbon emissions.

By pioneering online resource reuse and creating a regional sharing network, WARPit has already helped Dundee City Council divert 20 tonnes of waste, saved 54 tonnes of CO2 and saved the Council and its partners almost £130,000 in avoided procurement costs, contributing to the Scottish Government's vision for a zero waste society while also delivering a number of wider community benefits.

WARPit goes beyond economic and environmental benefits to deliver real community results:

- Housing Officers taking furniture for new community spaces in regeneration areas
- Schools reusing display boards, chairs, bookcases for their libraries
- Social Workers sourcing café equipment and sofas for family support meeting rooms
- Foodbanks fitting out new offices from our surplus resources.



The WARPit project has won a Scottish Green Apple GOLD Award, UK Green Apple Award, CIWM Scottish Resource Award, Zero Waste BRONZE Award and was a finalist in the 2014 Association for Public Service Excellence UK Awards and Government Opportunities (GO) Excellence in Public Procurement Awards.



Jan 2015 - Beach Information

Broughty Ferry has a fantastic sandy Resort Award winning beach. In the winter the beach becomes a haven for migrating waders. Local people are involved with beach clean ups as part of Broughty in Bloom. Broughty Ferry Environmental Project have carried out wildlife surveys and restored dunes. Countryside Rangers lead school groups using the beach for nature study. Dolphins can often be seen in the Tay from the beach. The Esplanade runs alongside the sand dunes past an artificial sand martin nesting bank. Ten new enclosed bins at a cost of £8,000 have been installed and ten more have been ordered for the Esplanade and harbour area.

Engineers have received planning permission for an additional 850 metres of rock armour from Bridge Street up to Monifieth, funded from a Scottish Government grant. Work was undertaken due to the severe weather conditions last winter which had caused damage to the timber access, these are to be repaired in July, the work should be complete by the end of September, including 75 metre of Rock Armour. The pathway to the beach will be formalised and work will only take place at certain tide levels, to protect the wading birds. Broughty Ferry Beach is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and does not get mechanically cleaned over the winter period, to protect feeding wading birds.

Volunteers from the Broughty Ferry Beach Management Group, Dundee & Angus Zero Waste Group, Marine Conservation Society, Broughty Ferry in Bloom Group and other volunteers complete regular clean ups, throughout the year through the Dundee Clean up Scotland Events calendar.



Sponsors

Dundee Flower & Food Festival



JBA Seed Potatoes, Annan
The Baker Trade, Dundee
Fraser's Fruit and Veg, Dundee

Roundabouts

Dundee City Council currently have sponsored 10 roundabouts in the City, bringing in £60,000 of income to Dundee City Council, the sites are situated throughout the city centre at High Street, Whitehall Street, Crichton Street, Meadowside/ Albert Square and Victoria Road. The sponsors are:

West End Conferencing and Events
Westend Maintenance Ltd
GFI Max Ltd
W L Gore & Assoc.(UK)Ltd
University Abertay
Tokheim
Gillies Furniture Ltd (2 sites)
Double Tree Hotel
The Workit Centre

Bonnie Dundee Group Sponsors



Support and Assistance throughout the year

Ark Children's Nursery
Ardler Environment Group
Asda
Blackness Library
Countryside Rangers
Discovery Compost
Dundee City Council
Dundee City Councillors
Dundee & Angus College
Dundee Contemporary Arts (DCA)
Dundee Science Centre
Dundee University Students Association (DUSA)
Dundee Urban Orchard (DUO)
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Friends of Magdalen Green
Friends of Botanical Gardens
Friends of Riverside Nature Park
Jericho House
NHS Tayside
Malmaison
Roseangle Arts Cafe
Ryehill Police Station
Scottish Hydro
Scotrail Community Fund
Tesco
University of Dundee (Staff & Students)
West - end Community Council
Western Cemetery Association



Dundee CHANGING FOR THE FUTURE

Saturday 11 July 2015
12 noon - 4pm

60th Anniversary

Gala in the Garden

Join us to celebrate 60 years of the Barnhill Rock Garden with a free family event, with lots to do for all of the family.

The event will include live Music, Classic Cars, Countryside Ranger Service Activities, Face Painting, Children's Entertainment, Arts Activities, Sports Activities, & Garden Activities.

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BRILLIANT IS BLOOMING

Riverside Nature Park
The Friends of Riverside Nature Park will lead a

Bird Walk

at the Park

Come along for a guided walk around the Park with a keen local birder. We'll see many of the bird species that have spent the winter in the nature park and some returning birds which are singing and claiming breeding territories.

All welcome, please wear suitable clothing and footwear. Binoculars, birding scopes and field guides would be useful, but not vital.

Saturday 21st March at 8.30am - 10.00am
Meet at car park, Wright Avenue

For further information please contact:
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The public, under an Health Check, have been advised to take extra care when walking in the park. The walking group members were raised at Ninewells and DUO.

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Take Pride in Your City

Take Pride in Your Community

Litter Pick

Balgillo Road Area and Sandy Park

Help clean-up your neighbourhood
Sunday the 21st of June
2pm - 4pm
Meet at Sandy Park / Balgillo Road

All Welcome
Litterpicks, gloves and bags provided

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Take pride in your woodlands

Take your litter home
£80 fixed penalty for littering

...you can do so much more ONLINE at...
dundeecity.gov.uk

LET'S DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO CLEAN UP SCOTLAND

JOIN YOUR LOCAL CLEAN UP

Location
Lochee Park and surrounding area

Date
6th JUNE 2015

Time and meeting place
10 - 12 Meet at Park Pavilion, Lochee Park

Contact details
Trudy Cunningham: Email: t.z.cunningham@dundee.ac.uk

Find out more and take the pledge at www.cleanupscotland.com

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Clean Up Scotland

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Ninewells Community Garden Volunteer Day
Saturday 16th May 11am-2pm

Come along to the beautiful community garden nestled behind Ninewells, just beside Maggie's. Volunteer days run on the 3rd Saturday of the month and are a time to get together, work on seasonal garden tasks and learn more about gardening.

No experience necessary. Please wear sturdy shoes and bring some lunch.

For more information contact Sarah at facilitator@ninewellscommunitygarden.org.uk or 0754 074 6075

ROBERTSON Trust, David TSB Foundation for Scotland, The Gannochy Trust

Ninewells Community Garden AGM
All welcome!

7-9 pm, 19th of March @ the **Roseangle Arts Café**
132 Perth Road

Come along, find out how we are doing and network with people who want to enhance health and well-being through gardening and community projects!

Guest Speaker!
Live Music!
Tea, coffee and cakes!

Dundee Urban Orchard (DUO) display!

ORDER OF EVENTS:
7.00 pm AGM (open meeting)
7.30 pm Talk by Kate Treharne
Use your Polytunnel all year round
8.00 pm Live music from Dominic Vendittozzi and Fiona McAndrew

Supporters:
NHS, trellis, DUO, Tayside, Dundee CHANGING FOR THE FUTURE



Council launches Take Pride in Your City campaign

CIVIC PRIDE: Bid to motivate Dundonians to improve quality of life in city

“The campaign will build on already impressive work already undertaken and publicise the quality of our parks spaces.”

“I want this campaign to inspire people to be involved with further life in the future.”

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People will also be encouraged to back the RRS Green Spaces Better Lives campaign.

Gardening week events across Dundee are all open to the public.

Gardening week kicks off in city

NATIONAL Gardening Week kicked off in Dundee at the weekend.

City council deputy environment councillor Craig McNeil launched the event at Dundee Community Garden.

The local authority and Dundee environmental groups are organising a number of events to help celebrate the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) National Gardening Week and support Dundee’s entry into the RHS Britain in Bloom Final – City Category.

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City groups' park life

COMMUNITY groups and businesses were out in force for the weekend to clean up the West End ward that covers the area targeted on Saturday, said: “It was wonderful to see people who take the time to take part in these events.”

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Clean-up at Dundee beauty spots in Take Pride initiative

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Gardeners get ready

EAGER green fingers have been urged to prepare for a council gardening event.

The Dundee District Gardening and the Nisbet’s community gardens.

A number of gardeners were accompanied by councillors and community group, Bonnie Dundee.

The launch also marked the city’s inclusion in the year’s Britain in Bloom Final, a result of winning a top prize in Britain in Bloom competition.

Dundee has now been chosen to represent Scotland in the ‘city category’.

Orphan Cross, chairman of Bonnie Dundee, said the Britain in Bloom event was “massive” for the city.

He added: “The garden allotment in the city to display pride in their city.”

“Because we won the silver gilt in the Beautiful Scotland competition, we’ve been entered into the Britain in Bloom.”

Competition is a great way for people to display pride

“where we’ll be coming up against Oxford and Norwich.”

“This initiative for the city and we need all the help we can get to make the best of it.”

“The garden and allotment competition is a great event in the city’s calendar.”

“It will also help to strengthen our city.”



'I take pride in city'

A FAST food giant has backed the Take Pride in Your City campaign and declared he takes great pride in Dundee.

McDonald’s staff with members of Bonnie Dundee District Garden at Loches Park.

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McDonald's staff help out with clean-up of city park

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Meet the people who work tirelessly to make our city shine

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I'd urge members of the public to support events

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