

Programme

Active travel and enhancing connectivity through green networks

Pittencrieff Park Pavilion, Dunfermline, FIFE, KY12 8QH

Purpose

This forum event is designed to join up professional disciplines involved in green networks, active travel, transport and access to stimulate discussion and ideas exchange. The topic addresses a priority for the Central Scotland Green Network, the Scottish Government's policies on sustainable transport, health, architecture and placemaking, and is highly applicable to the urban/peri-urban/rural situation in the LFGNP area with local authority policy and planning efforts focused on delivering active travel solutions through local development plans and supporting guidance.

The forum will enable policy and delivery practitioners to;

- understand the policy drivers
- learn from others experience
- experience new examples of what is possible
- stimulate adoption of good practice from elsewhere
- encourage innovative approaches
- network for ongoing liaison and learning

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09:15 Registration & refreshments	
09:45 Welcome and Introduction Introducing the aims of the day and the relevance of Dunfermline's legacy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Sizeland, LFGNP Welcome and introduction; • Kevin O'Kane, Fife Council Dunfermline; a short historical perspective.
09:55 Why we're doing this Introducing active travel and green networks, Scottish Government's Designing Streets Policy Review, the strategic planning roles of SEStran, SESPlan, CSGN and a Transport Scotland initiative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ron McCraw, Recreation & Access Manager, SNH Active travel in the CSGN featuring the John Muir Way; • Rowena Statt, Consultant, Anderson Bell Christie; Scottish Government's Designing Streets Policy Review; • Graeme Marsden Planner, SESplan; SEStran's and SESPlan's strategic role. • Lynn Slavin, Information Manager. Transport Scotland; Smarter Choices, Smarter Places.
11:00 Refreshment break	
11:15 What we're doing Examples of local authorities planning and implementation from within the LFGNP area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phil Noble, Planning Officer, City of Edinburgh Council; • Grant Ballantine, Planning Policy Officer, Midlothian Council; • Phil Clarke; Engineering / Planning Officer, Fife Council.
12:00 Practice advice & guidance How advisory organisations are helping to achieve better active travel solutions and connectivity through green networks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eric Dawson, Design Advisor, Architecture and Design Scotland; • Catharine Idle Senior Development Officer Paths for All; • Alex Bottrill, Urban Designer, sustrans;
12:45 Feedback, morning wrap up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keith Geddes, Chair, CSGN Partnership Board
12:50 Lunch	Free buffet lunch will be provided
13:30 – 15:00 Afternoon tour (optional)	Guided walking talk to look at ongoing work and consultation on connecting people and places through active travel, regeneration, repairing spaces and linking the public parks and green spaces across Dunfermline town centre. Starting and finishing at Pittencrieff Park Pavilion, taking in Dunfermline Abbey.