

**Tuesday 8 November**

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**Briefing Note: DUNOON BURGH HALL - YOUTH ARTS**

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This briefing relates to activities which fall under SOA Outcome [OUTCOME 3: EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING MAXIMISES OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL].

The activities are ongoing.

### **Summary**

Please provide a summary here

Dunoon Burgh Hall Trust was established to bring the building back in to use as an arts-led community venue after more than 20 years of neglect.

For six years Dunoon Burgh Hall Trust has been delivering a creative programme of exhibitions, events and learning activities in a partially re-opened 'work-in-progress' community venue.

Dunoon Burgh Hall has hosted many arts, theatre, dance, music and film events over the years working with professional artists and filmmakers, and working in partnership with organisations such as Glasgow School of Art, Rambert Dance Company, Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, National Galleries of Scotland, the Touring Network and CHArts. We regularly run workshops and residencies for young people; bring touring theatre productions; and present high profile exhibitions including Robert Mapplethorpe and Julie Brook. In 2013 we established Dunoon Film Festival which has become an annual fixture. We have actively supported the set up and development of YouthSTUFF youth theatre group, which works weekly with over 30 young people aged 8 to 18. Over the past 2 years we have been an important partner in the Argyll Youth Arts Hub.

The Burgh Hall closed its doors in December 2014 for complete renovation and refurbishment. Exciting activities continue from our pop up venue at 33 Argyll Street, Dunoon. The building will reopen in Spring 2017 with a series of high profile exhibitions and events in our exhibition standard gallery spaces; main hall and balcony; café extension; and workshop and rehearsal rooms.

**Further information is available on:**

Dunoonburghhall.org.uk  
Dunoonburghhall facebook page  
Argyll youtharts.org

**Key Points for Consideration**

Please provide the key points you would like to bring to the attention of the group here

- Partnership working brings unique opportunities to the whole community. The arts can provide high level interventions through collaboration with national and international arts organisations.
- The development of social skills through participation in the arts, builds self-esteem and confidence.
- How to increase digital engagement across generations using the arts and culture - filmmaking, animation, sound, research.

**Recommendations**

Please provide information on what action you would like the group to take here

**Key Points for Discussion**

Please provide the key points you would like the group to discuss here

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