

Tenants Newsletter

The newsletter for Council
tenants in South Ayrshire
Spring 2022



Spring HAS SPRUNG!

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South Ayrshire Council
Customer Services
0300 123 0900

Environmental Health
01292 618222

Trading Standards
0300 123 0900

Housing Enquiries & Repairs
(Emergency or Routine)
0300 123 0900

Waste Enquires &
Special Uplifts
0300 123 0900

Scottish Water
0800 077 8778

Scottish Power (Emergency)
0800 092 9290

GAS (Emergency)
0800 111 999

Police
101 (Non Emergency)
999 (Emergency)

Power Cut
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NHS 24
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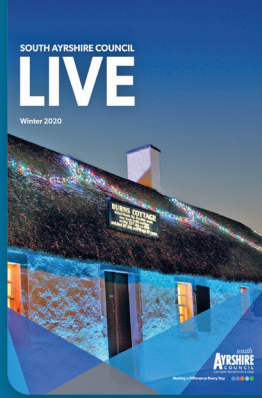
Emergency Homeless
0808 100 3151
(Out of Hours)

Ayr Hospital
01292 610 555

Girvan Community Hospital
01465 712 571

Crosshouse Hospital
01563 521 133

South Ayrshire Council have launched a monthly online newsletter to keep you up to date with all Council news.



South Ayrshire Council Live

View the latest version of
the newsletter below

Visit: <https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/south-ayrshire-council-live/> to find out more.



This information can be made available, on request, in braille, large print or audio formats and can be translated into a range of languages. Contact details are provided below.

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Foadar am fiosrachadh seo fhaighinn, le iarrtas, ann am braille, clò mòr no clàr fuaim agus tha e comasach eadar-theangachadh gu grunn chànanan. Tha fiosrachadh gu h-ìosal mu bhith a' cur fios a-steach.

WINNERS!

Well done to **Jan Bell from Ayr** who was the winner of the 'Where's Ernie' competition and received a £50 shopping voucher!

Well done to **Laila Murphy from Ayr** who was the lucky winner of the 'Spot the Difference' Competition.

And a final well done to **Kelly Roache from Mossblown** for winning our Find The Elves competition in our Winter Edition!



South Ayrshire's NEW NATURAL HEALTH APP!

South Ayrshire Council have partnered with NatureScot and NHS Ayrshire and Arran to develop and produce a Natural Health app for the people of South Ayrshire.

What is Natural Health?

The term "Natural Health" covers a lot of ground, literally! It can include activities such as participating in a community gardening group, conservation volunteering, even just going for a walk down the beach. It also includes less physical things such as wildlife watching and simply taking time to enjoy nature.

The bottom line is if you are utilising the outdoors or nature to benefit your physical or mental health, it's Natural Health.

So what is the app?

The Natural Health app is a working directory of all the Natural Health opportunities across South Ayrshire, listing:

- What they are
- Where they are
- How you can get involved

Additionally South Ayrshire Council, NatureScot and NHS Ayrshire and Arran are looking to promote the creation of new Natural Health Opportunities through the app!

Example - Would your community benefit from a new walking group or community garden? We can help with that!

How do I get the app?

- First you need to download the NHS Ayrshire and Arran app
- Next scroll down to or search for "Natural Health"
- Finally give it a tap and you're good to go!

Got a question?

If you have a question about Natural Health in South Ayrshire or our new app please get in touch, we would love to hear from you!

Email: ayrshire_naturalhealth@nature.scot



SHELTERED HOUSING NEWS

LOVE IS ON THE BOARD

Residents at Boyle Court, Girvan, spread some love around the unit by decorating the notice boards with colouring pictures and doing love themed word searches.



RESIDENTS WHO LUNCH

The residents of Coylton Sheltered Housing Unit were lucky enough to enjoy 2 separate special lunches.

One celebrating Burns supper and a second fish supper.



Burns Supper lunches ready for residents to enjoy!



The fish suppers certainly went down a treat!



Fish suppers galore for the residents of Coylton Sheltered Housing Unit

Local Housing Strategy

2023 - 2028

Housing plays a vital part in all our lives. Having somewhere to stay that is safe and warm is one of the most basic needs we have. Having good quality, affordable housing allows people to make improvements in others areas of their life for example in health and education.

South Ayrshire Council is committed to ensuring as far as possible that people are able to access good quality, affordable housing that meets their needs. In order to achieve this, South Ayrshire Council is currently working on its Local Housing Strategy for 2023 to 2028, and we want to find out YOUR views on the housing issues that matter to you.

What is the Local Housing Strategy?

The Local Housing Strategy (LHS) is an important document that establishes what the Council and its partners (such as housing associations, private sector builders, support agencies and others) should try to achieve in housing and neighbourhoods over the next five years. The Strategy sets out what the Council's priorities will be, and covers all types of housing - including council housing, private lets, owner-occupation and housing association properties.

How to get involved:

Because the Strategy plans our priorities for the next five years, we're keen to hear from as many people as possible about the issues that matter to them.

Examples of topics we'll be looking at over the coming months include;

- Homelessness
- Access to suitable housing
- Private lets
- Housing quality
- Benefits and Universal Credit
- Anti-social Behaviour
- Affording Gas and Electricity
- Social Care and Housing Support
- Housing for people with particular needs (such as older or disabled people)
- The environment
- Your community

We would like to hear from you on any issues you have had relating to housing and health. There will be several opportunities throughout the development of the strategy for you to share your views. Firstly we would like to welcome you to write to us with any experiences good or bad that you may have had accessing suitable housing.

The Local Housing Strategy team can be contacted on:

01292 612360 - Laura Thomson / 01292 473469 - Kyle McKay

Or if you'd prefer, you can email us at LHS@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

More Information:

For more information on the LHS, visit our website at <http://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/housingstrategy/lhs/> or contact us using the details provided above.



Kings Arms, Ballantrae receiving Proud Supporters certificate



Did you know...?

A large chunk of South Ayrshire falls within a UNESCO Biosphere – a global designation awarded by the United Nations Educational, Scientific & Cultural Organisation.

The title 'Biosphere' recognises the unique landscapes and thriving

communities that make this region a fantastic place to live, work and play. Biospheres are internationally important – on a par with World Heritage Sites (like Edinburgh), Creative Cities (such as Dundee), and other UNESCO designations.

There are currently more than 700 UNESCO Biospheres around the world and ours was the first in Scotland, designated in 2012.

Galloway & Southern Ayrshire

UNESCO Biosphere is working to make life better for people and nature. The Biosphere team delivers projects that support the environment, education, and sustainable business.

They also help promote our local history, arts and culture, encouraging visitors to take a closer look at southwest Scotland. As an organisation the Biosphere works with partners (including South Ayrshire Council) to increase individual and community



Team GSAB with SAC Rangers at Girvan Community Garden

wellbeing through social groups, Green Health initiatives, lifelong learning, and of course spending time in our great outdoors. Our UNESCO Biosphere belongs to everyone who lives here and it is proudly community-led.

There are many ways to get involved; if you'd like to take a digital look around, visit www.gsabiosphere.org.uk or follow their social media on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

If you are part of a local organisation or community group you might like to have someone from the Biosphere come and visit to explain more about how the connection to UNESCO can benefit South Ayrshire's villages and towns.

Or, you might want to take part in a Sense of Place workshop, or join the Biosphere Communities scheme – Ballantrae has already done this in 2022.



Marie McNulty and Esther Tacke at Stumpy Tower, Girvan

For more information about any of the above, or if you are running an environmental or community project that would benefit from Biosphere support, please do get in touch via jenna@gsabiosphere.org.uk.

HOUSING SERVICES NEWS

Property Maintenance Award

Our Property Maintenance team were awarded 'Best Performer' in the Building Maintenance category at the Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE) Performance Network Awards 2021 that took place in December.

The awards are open to all local authorities across the UK and winning is a testament to the continuous hard work and dedication of everyone in the service. We'd like to say a huge congratulations to the team for this well-deserved achievement.



Tenant Participation Update

Over the winter months our Tenant Participation meetings have continued online as well as our fortnightly informal online coffee and chat sessions. As we start to see things return to a somewhat bit of normality the Tenant Participation team have been working hard in the background to prepare for the return of face-to-face meetings. The team understand not everyone will want to attend face to face or

online and vice versa therefore the team will be working with involved tenants to test our new approach to meetings where tenants have the choice to join the meeting in person or online from the comfort of their own home.

If you're looking for something new this spring and want to become an involved tenant, why not attend one of our informal online coffee and chat sessions for a little taster

session and meet likeminded tenants and our officers within the team. They take place on a Wednesday on a fortnightly basis.

If you would like to join in with our Coffee and Chat sessions and find out more about Tenant Participation opportunities in South Ayrshire then please contact our Tenant Participation team on 01292 612968 or by email at tp@south-ayrshire.gov.uk



Meet Suzie, our Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan Officer

Meet The Team!

Join us every newsletter as we shine the light on different team members and give them the chance to tell us a little about their work.

MEET SUZIE MCILLONEY

Suzie is the Council's Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan Officer and works within the Housing Policy and Strategy Team.

'Hello everyone, I recently joined the Housing Policy and Strategy Team as the Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan Officer (RRTP Officer).

If I am not exploring beautiful Scotland, you will find me

walking Cally, our 9-year-old dog or organising adventures with friends and family.

Prior to joining the team, I worked for a local Housing Advice and Information Centre, supporting people who were experiencing homelessness. Over the last 16 years I have worked in various social care settings including prisons, justice services and progressed onto managing housing and homeless support services.

Our Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan for 2019-2024 reflects a national push to prevent homelessness and minimise stays in temporary accommodation. A key element in this approach involves preventing homelessness from happening in the first place. Locally, that means considering what more we can do to prevent homelessness, and how we can better work with our partners to achieve this.

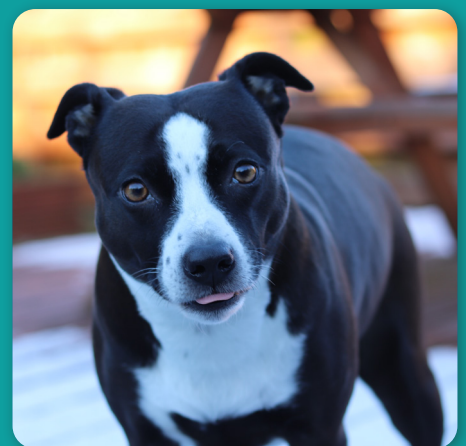
Relationships, trust, and kindness are hugely important to me within my role. Working within communities has given me an understanding of the challenges people face and why we need to listen to what

our communities are telling us. South Ayrshire Council are committed to delivering services that will help our communities to thrive.

To put this into practice, I began creating an involvement group for people effected by homeless to share their experiences to inform the delivery of the new approaches to homelessness. Some feedback from a member of the involvement group who took time to write an account of what it was like on the day they left prison.

I would like to thank you for letting me write this account as I hope it helps to change the process of people being released from prison back into the community.'

A big welcome and thank you to Suzie for providing our first article in 'Meet the Team'.



Cally waiting to go on her next adventure

HOUSING SERVICES NEWS



THE IMPORTANCE OF GAS SAFETY CHECKS



Gas safety checks are so important, and it is vital that these are carried out in order to maintain the upkeep of all gas appliances. We have a legal duty to ensure a Gas Safety Check is carried out every year and within 365 days of the previous check within your property.

When the annual gas safety check in your property is due, our contractor, PH Jones, will write to you to offer an appointment for the work to be carried out. If the date or time does not suit, then please call the number on the letter to arrange a convenient date and time that does.

Most recently our Gas Safety Team have noticed an increase in tenants cancelling appointments and not re-arranging the appointment. This puts further strain on the service and requires the team to spend time contacting tenants to arrange access for the contractor. Please help the team by arranging access to your property.

Though most of our tenants provide access to our contractors so they can carry out the annual safety check within the required time, however, a small number of people do not arrange or agree entry to the property with the Contractor.

The safety check must be carried out within 365 days of the previous service date.

In line with legislation, the Council is entitled to force entry in such circumstances, and this is also a provision of the Council's tenancy agreement. The Council will have no choice but to force entry and change the locks to the properties of tenants who have refused to allow entry.

If the Council are required to force entry to your home, you will be charged for the costs of this action and also renewing the locks, this will be a minimum of £61.97. Please avoid this expense by allowing entry to the gas engineer.

It is easy and can be arranged at a time that suits you.



New Build Updates

Updates on our current and recently completed new build developments.

Main Street, Prestwick

Work was completed by our contractors Ashleigh Construction on site in December with tenants moving into the properties in time for Christmas. This development consists of 11 properties comprising of 8 one-bedroom & 3 two-bedroom flats. The development was named Johnny Hubbard Court in memory of the football legend who played for Ayr United. Johnny was also heavily involved in local community sports coaching tennis and football across South Ayrshire and worked for the Council. A plaque featuring a likeness of Johnny displayed at the front of the building was unveiled at the official opening ceremony in February.

Waggon Road, Ayr

Since our last update in December last year, work on Block (B) was completed with tenants starting to move in at the end of January. Work also progressed well on the final Block (A) with all work completed by March and tenants moving into their new properties at the beginning of April. The full development consists of 76 amenity units.



Fort Street, Ayr

Work was completed on the new properties in February with tenants moving in at the beginning of April. The development was completed by our contractors Ashleigh Construction and consists of 12 properties, 4 one-bedroom bungalows and 8 one-bedroom flats.



Montgomerie Street, Tarbolton

Our contractors McTaggart Construction have been making good progress at the development since the last newsletter update in December. As you can see from the photo the main structures are now in place with work progressing to complete both the internal and external works.

The development will consist of a mix of cottage flats, wheelchair accessible housing and terraced family accommodation and is due to be completed by Summer 2022.



Former Mainholm Academy / John Pollock Centre, Ayr

Work will now start to demolish the former Mainholm Academy / John Pollock Centre situated in Mainholm Road / Gemmell Crescent, Ayr. The demolition work and site clearance are scheduled to be completed later this year. The plans for the development of this site are still to be approved by Council, however, it is anticipated that the site will allow for the building of 160 properties with new community facilities proposed for the future. Watch out for the progress of our developments in our next newsletter or for more regular updates follow our Facebook Page – South Ayrshire Council Housing Services.

Decision Days 2022



Decision Days are a way for local people to have a say in which projects should be funded within their local community, with £13,000 made available within each locality area. This year local groups could apply for grants for up to £1000. The spirit of the Decision Day funding was to allow smaller grass roots organisations to access modest amounts of money to support local projects.

The South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership unfortunately had to make the decision to cancel the in-person events in light of national COVID-19 guidance. The safety of our community remains our priority and we felt it would not be appropriate to continue as originally planned. As such a Small Grants Process was undertaken by each Locality Planning Partnership with applications being considered in alignment with one or more of the local priorities.

Please join us in congratulating all those who were successful in their application. We would like to thank all those who applied and supported the decision-making process.

Congratulations to all those who were successful in their application !



Troon and Villages

- Ayrshire Cancer Support Group
- Crossroads - Care Attendant Scheme
- Friends of Dundonald Castle SCIO
- The National Autistic Society Scotland
- St Meddan's Sheltered Housing
- Give a Dog a Bone... and an animal a home
- No-One Dies Alone
- 1st Troon Girls Brigade
- Loans Community Centre Limited
- Irvine & Troon Cancer Care
- Good Companions
- St. Patrick's Parent Council
- Troon Petanque Club
- Dundonald Parish Church

Ayr North and Villages

- Annbank Tenants Association
- Ayr North 'The Gither'
- Broken Chains
- Newton Tenants & Residents Association
- Lochside Community Garden
- Crossroads
- Kyle Kayak Club
- L&M Wellbeing
- Mossblown Matters
- RecoveryAYR
- UnderSKY
- Wallacetown Girls Group
- Whitletts Vics

Ayr South and Coylton

- Ayr Choral Union
- Broken Chains
- Community Gift Exchange Cycleworks
- Kincaidston Community Association
- Coylton Fairy Trail
- Crossroads
- Doonfoot Sensory Garden
- Hope Wellbeing
- Kyle Kayak Club
- L&M Wellbeing
- South Ayrshire Autistic Society
- The IRIS
- UnderSKY

Maybole and North Carrick

- The Breastfeeding Network
- Community Wellbeing Hub
- L&M Wellbeing Consultancy
- Carrick Walking Football
- Ayrshire Cancer Support
- Carrick Resilience Team
- Maybole Junior Youths
- Maybole Over 50's
- The Carrick Tots
- Crossroads

Girvan and South Carrick

- Crossroads (South Ayrshire) Care Attendant Scheme
- Girvan & South Carrick Community Action Network
- Girvan & District attractions SCIO
- Girvan Youth Football Club
- The Breastfeeding Network
- Girvan Community Garden
- Carrick Sport Group CIC
- Carrick Resilience Team
- Girvan Youth Trust
- Girvan Pop Up Events
- CRAG Community Arts

Prestwick and Villages

- Crossroads - Care Attendant Scheme
- Friends of the Broadway Prestwick
- Ayrshire Cancer Support Group
- The Rotary Club of Prestwick
- Dementia Friendly Prestwick
- Glenburn Miners Welfare FC
- No-one Dies Alone Ayrshire
- New Life Trust (Diamonds)
- AOIFES SENSORY BUS
- Howie Bowling Club
- Lets Looc

Empty Homes Initiative

The best way to keep a home safe and secure is to keep it occupied and South Ayrshire Council recognises that bringing long term empty properties back into use offers benefits to owners, the Council and the environment.

Local authorities are facing an increasing challenge to meet housing need as a result of key issues such as an ageing population, lack of affordability and homelessness. In an attempt to alleviate these issues South Ayrshire Council introduced the Empty Homes Initiative in 2011.

The initiative also provides owners of empty properties with helpful advice and assistance to facilitate and motivate each individual to work in partnership to breathe life back into their empty home.

Practical assistance including organising VAT discounts and concessions with builders' merchants is also available as well as problem solving and signposting to other Council services.

Each empty property that is brought back into use helps the demand for housing in South Ayrshire and therefore alleviates pressures on Council waiting lists. (Insert a graphic of empty home cycle)

South Ayrshire Council have also recently launched a Social Letting Service - Your Choice. Your Choice is a lettings agency with a difference. Run by the Council, it aims to increase access to good quality homes for people who have experienced homelessness or on low incomes as we are passionate about the impact homes have on people's lives.

We offer a full management service and we believe that by working with our tenants we not only improve their welfare, but also promote tenancy sustainment.

The Empty Homes Service will link in with Your Choice to bring empty properties to the social letting service providing owners with a solution to their empty property problem and increasing the number of affordable homes in South Ayrshire.

There are currently around 700 empty properties in South Ayrshire and in April 2019 the Council introduced a 100% levy on the Council Tax accounts of every empty property which is unoccupied for more than a year.

This has provided an incentive for owners to engage with the Empty Homes Officer to reach their objectives for their properties and remove this financial burden.

The interest in our Initiatives continues to grow by word of mouth as well as promoting our successes in the local and national press. Our social media sites are also used to promote some of the services available and we continue to use marketing websites to source and identify empty properties to bring back into use as affordable housing.

If you know of an empty property in your area, please contact the **Empty Homes Officer** on **01292-473469** or by emailing emptyhomes@south-ayrshire.gov.uk



THRIVING COMMUNITIES

Working for Wallacetown 'Spring Clean Week'

As Covid restrictions have started to ease, the Tenant Participation team took part in the 'Working with Wallacetown' Spring Clean Week. Week beginning the 21st of March 2022 saw the project, in partnership with Thriving Communities, various other Council services, community partners and members of the community, take off.

The week started with kids from Newton Primary carrying out an audit of the area, noting what action was needed, and what positives there are in the area.

On the Tuesday, South Ayrshire Council staff, partners and community volunteers helped deliver nearly 1000 information packs in Wallacetown. Lots of positive doorstep conversations took place about the work happening and services available in the area. Information included a handy fridge magnet reminder of South Ayrshire

Council's special uplift number, helping reduce the problem of fly-tipping in the area.

On the Thursday some of the kids from Newton Primary joined staff from various Council services and community volunteers for a fantastic day of litter picking and a general tidy up.

The week finished with the Wallacetown community turning out in big numbers to support Jock Tamson's Bairsns fun day. Glorious sunshine, fun activities including bike repairs, toasting marshmallows, face painting, planting and loads more along with lots of information and great entertainment led to a fantastic day.



The team ready to deliver the information packs.



Active Travel Hub Stall at the Fun Day.



Gordon Campbell and David Porte

THRIVING COMMUNITIES

THRIVING COMMUNITIES HUB WALLACETOWN

The Salvation Army, 59 John Street, Ayr

Every Thursday / 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Staff Are On Hand To Help You With:

- Careers Advice
- Health & Wellbeing
- Budgeting & Money Advice
- CV Development
- Redundancy
- Links To Skills & Training
- Application Support
- Confidence Building
- Return To Work Health Advice
- And Much More...

TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT PLEASE CONTACT:
madeleine.shirra@south-ayrshire.gov.uk / cariss.chapman@south-ayrshire.gov.uk



GET SOCIAL WITH US!

To keep up-to-date with all the latest news and online events from our library service, follow us on Twitter and Facebook [@salibraries](https://www.facebook.com/salibraries).

LIBRARIES

We are delighted to announce that our libraries have re-opened their doors and have returned to their normal opening hours.

We also look forward to welcoming our customers back to enjoy a busy programme of activities and events for children and adults.

For library opening times and further details of what we have on, please visit our website www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/libraries

FUN FOR FAMILIES!

Bookbug is back!

Our Bookbug in-person sessions have resumed. Bookbug Sessions are free, friendly, fun sessions of songs, rhymes and stories for babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers and their families and carers to enjoy together.

Each session lasts around 30 minutes and has been designed to support children's development while having fun.

They take place in a very relaxed environment and are a great opportunity to spend some quality time with your little one and meet other families. Please note that booking is required for these sessions.

Free, monthly craft sessions for primary school aged children. Get creative and crafty at our themed monthly craft sessions.

Catch the reading bug!



Bookbug Sessions

 Subject to change at any time due to updates in Government COVID-19 Restrictions.

EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS

Once Upon a Time in South Ayrshire (destinationsouthayrshire.co.uk/stories) as part of Scotland's Year of Stories 2022, has officially launched. Offering a year-long programme of events, exhibitions and experiences with something for everyone to enjoy. *Once Upon a Time in South Ayrshire* will give the opportunity to celebrate stories inspired by, written, or created in Scotland and recognising that every community has a different link to a story just waiting to be explored.

Carnegie Library **25th April at 7.30pm**

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Iyad Hayatley (Performance Poet) - Iyad is a Palestinian poet and translator who was born and grew up in a Palestinian refugee camp in Syria. He started writing poetry early and published work in Arabic magazines, giving many readings in Syria, Lebanon and Yemen. He has lived in Glasgow since the year 2000.

Troon Library **9th June at 7pm**

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Booking required.
Please call 01292 315 352.

Melvyn Gibson talk - Robert Burns and the Suffragettes: Bicycles and Bombs, The Assault on Burns Cottage.

Carnegie Library **21st - 26th June**

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Weaving and Sewing:
Dress & Textiles in South
Ayrshire pop-up museum.



Troon Library **11th July - 20th August**

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Come along and check out
the RNLI Exhibition at Troon
Library.



Girvan Library **7th - 12th June**

Troon Library **29th August - 3rd September**

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Shipbuilding and Seafaring:
South Ayrshire's Nautical
History pop-up museum.



MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

McKECHNIE INSTITUTE. GIRVAN.

'Small World'

From Monday 2nd May – Sunday 31st July 2022

An exhibition of Dinky and Corgi toys and models.

Don't forget you can also find the permanent display exploring local geology, fossils, the history of Ailsa Craig and its granite, as well as maritime history and model ships, and the Bronze Age Cinerary Urns dating 2100-1500 BC.



OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 1pm - 4pm

Wednesday: 1.30pm - 4.30pm Saturday: 10:30am - 4pm

ROZELLE HOUSE. AYR.

OPENING HOURS: Monday -Saturday 10am - 5pm. Sunday 12noon - 5pm.

'Women in Art'

On display until Saturday 24 April 2022

A collaboration between South Ayrshire Council and the Maclaurin Trust. This exhibition looks at the contribution of women to art, both as artist and sitter.

This exhibition will be part of the Art That Made Us Festival, an exciting partnership between museums, libraries, archives, and galleries along with the BBC to coincide with the broadcast of a major new series exploring our creative history. The festival runs from 1-30 April 2022 and is an opportunity for audiences to explore the astounding creativity held in collections throughout the UK.

Look out for six short videos about the creative stories behind the artwork in this exhibition on our social media channels and website.

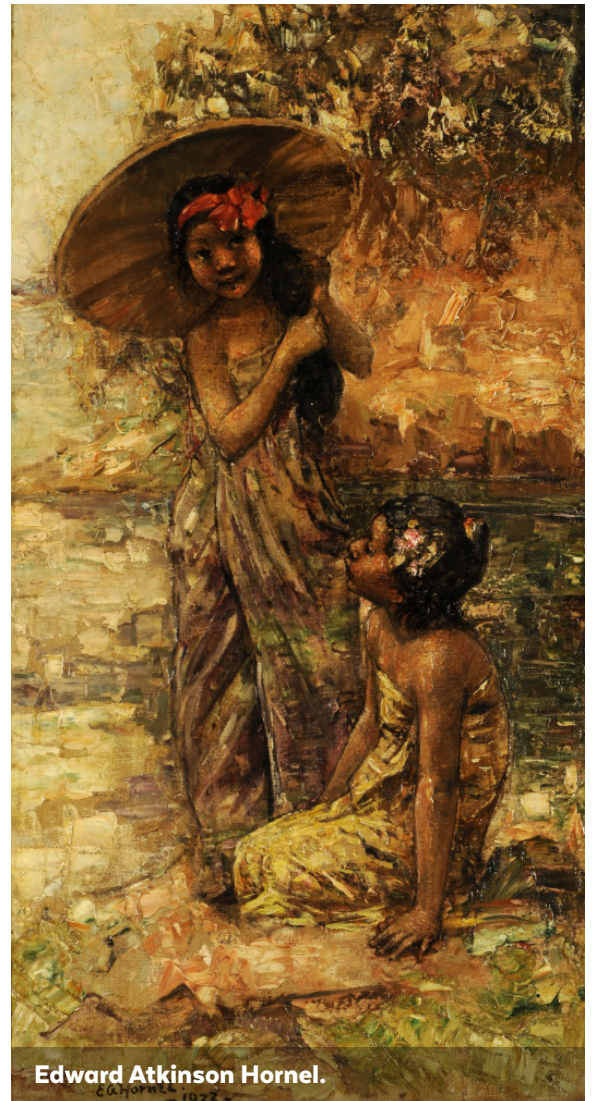
Council Treasures

On display 9 May until 3 July, short close and re-open 6 July – 2 October 2022

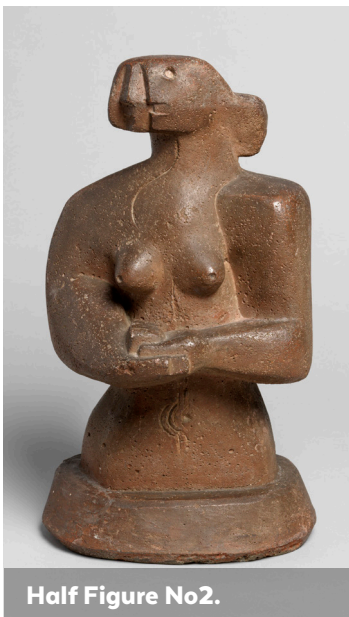
An exhibition of the council's best works of art and sculpture.



A Summer Idyll by John McWhirter, 1839 -1911.



Edward Atkinson Hornel.



Half Figure No2.

‘Henry Moore: Threads of Influence’

Saturday 16th July – Sunday 2nd October 2022

Spanning Henry Moore’s career, from early life drawings and carvings to iconic drawings and late prints, this exhibition, from the Sainsbury Centre, University of East Anglia demonstrates the multiple facets of Moore’s practice. A range of related objects will illuminate Moore’s work anew, demonstrating how he was informed by disparate cultures and contexts.

Get social with us on Twitter @samuseums,
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www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/galleries

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KIDS CORNER

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE!

Can you spot all 4 differences on the picture of Ernie?

For your chance to win a copy of 'The Whit of Whiteley's Wood' children's book, circle the differences in the Spot the Difference photo, complete your details, cut out the freepost information on the back page of the newsletter and pop all your entries in the one envelope.



PREFER TO EMAIL YOUR ENTRY?

Take a photo of your entry form and send it to:
tp@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

All entries should be received no later than 15th July 2022

Original Photo



Spot the Difference



Name

Address

Town

Postcode

Tel No

COLOUR ME IN!

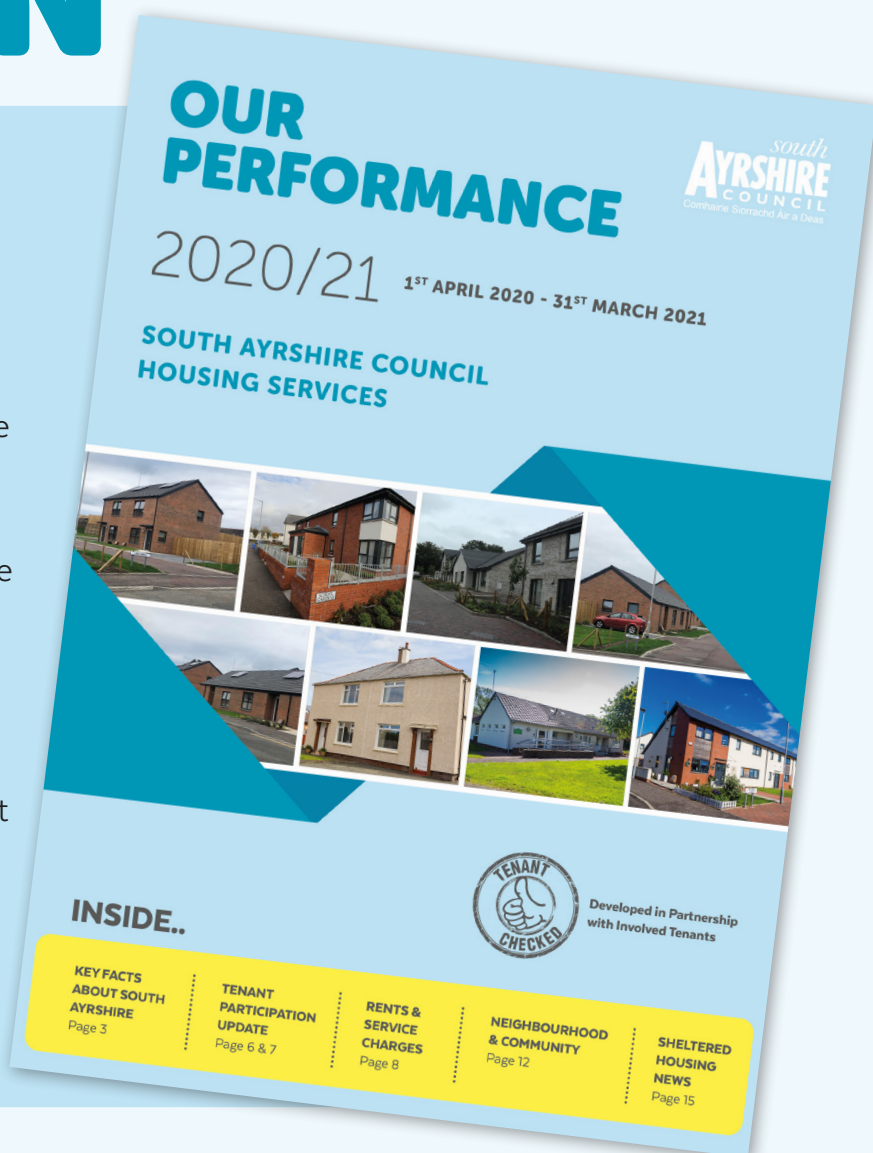


PERFORMANCE EDITION

Involved Tenants and Officers have recently published the Annual Performance edition of the newsletter.

Unlike this newsletter the Performance Edition is only posted out to tenants who have previously indicated that they would like to receive a copy in the post.

If you would like to receive a copy of the Performance Edition by post or email then either complete the cut out Performance Edition Request Form below and return it to the team using the freepost cut-out form or contact the Tenant Participation Team by phone on 01292 612968.



PERFORMANCE EDITION REQUEST FORM

I would like to receive the Performance Report on an annual basis by: **Email / Post**

Please complete the following details -

Name: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____

Postcode: _____

E-mail Address*: _____

*please only include your email address if you wish to receive the performance report by e-mail



THE GRAIN EXCHANGE

77- 81 High Street | Ayr | KA7 1LU

Come along, meet the makers and shop local at Ayr's popular market and cultural space. With a variety of weekly markets selling original and affordable handmade goods, delicious food and record fairs it's worth a visit to see what's on offer. Saturday market season unfolds again with creative markets taking place every Saturday from 10.30am-4.30pm throughout the year. With our fine art, craft and specialist themed markets we offer a chance to pick up something truly unique and original be it as a gift, or a treat for yourself!

The Grain Exchange features creatives and makers local to South Ayrshire and the areas around us. By shopping with us you are supporting our own local creative industry. While we provide the High Street opportunity, we need you, the public, to show your support to keep creativity in South Ayrshire as vibrant and interesting as it is.

Don't miss our visiting specialist themed guest markets such as BGCP Comicon and Allandar Record Fairs that will take you back with retro toys and vinyl records.

Pop in mid-week, who knows what you might see: creatives at work on commissions, the team making something for a public installation or event and or even trying out Virtual Reality headsets! What we are saying is, pop in, you never know what you might find!



For our busy calendar of markets and workshops go to www.thegrainexchange.co.uk or keep up to date with what's coming up by visiting us online.

Instagram: @thegrainexchange
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Twitter: @grain_exchange



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WHERE'S ERNIE?

Can you guess where Ernie has been visiting in this edition?

HOW TO ENTER THE COMPETITION:
Postal - Use the cut out entry form, attach the Freepost label to an envelope and pop in the postbox.
E-mail - tp@south-ayrshire.gov.uk - Take a picture of the entry form and email it to us.
Online - Visit www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/tenant-participation and complete the online entry form.
All entries should be received no later than 15th July 2022.



The winner will receive

£50

shopping vouchers of their choice!

PREVIOUS EDITION:
 Ernie was visiting Belleisle Park in Ayr for the previous edition. Well done to **Jan Bell from Ayr** who was the winner of the previous edition's competition.



Where's Ernie? Entry Form

Can you guess where Ernie has been visiting?

- A.** Auchincruive Estate
- B.** Culzean Castle
- C.** County Buildings

Name:

Address:

Town:..... Tel:

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All correct entries will be included in the prize draw and the winner will be notified after the draw.