ALBERT STREET REDEVELOPMENT

The Stobswell Forum is currently talking to a number of parties about the future of Albert Street. We're committed to trying to make it as successful as we can in the face of the major challenges all of our High Streets face from changing shopping patterns to the internet but what would you like to see happen? Improved pedestrian and vehicle access? Or more places to sit, and some more help for the shop owners?

Tell us what you would like to see happen to Albert Street, contact us at info@stobswell.org.uk or come into the community office in the Arthurstone Community Library.



DEFIBRILLATORS IN STOBSWELL

Great news, over the coming weeks we'll see the installation of three new defibrillators across Stobswell, they'll be placed at Maryfield Police Station, Boots the Chemist at 94 Albert Street and Craigie Bowling Club on Dalkeith Road. Once they are in place there will be an awareness campaign to let people know exactly where they are and how to operate them.

If you think Stobswell needs more defibrillators get in contact and let us know where we should put them.



STREET FURNITURE

With financial support from the Maryfield Regeneration Forum we have secured funding for additional street benches and noticeboards in and around Stobswell, so far we have a new bench in Court Street and a noticeboard and bench down by the Electric Charging station on Princes Street.



If you would like to see more benches and noticeboards in your neighbourhood drop us a line at info@stobswell.org.uk or call us at 01382 438858 or call into the Arthurstone Library and let us know where they should be.

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STOBFEST

FRIDAY 10TH MAY TO SUNDAY 19TH MAY



Stobswell's very own community festival, Stobfest, kicks off on Friday 10th May 2019 continuing through to Sunday 19th May 2019. Stobfest offers a wide variety of events and activities ranging from arts to dance and music, a quiz, wellbeing and lots of family fun including the return of Doggyfest. We're working hard to organise over fifty events all happening locally. There will be something for everyone.

One of the events taking place at Arthurstone Library is a Digital Storytelling Workshop. You will learn digital skills from Dan Brown, the digital storyteller in residence at Dundee Libraries in partnership with Scottish Book Trust.

Sign up to a free two-day digital storytelling workshop as part of the 'We are Dundee' project. During the workshops, you'll create, record and edit your own story. The story you tell is up to you, as is the decision to share your story more widely afterwards. The workshop is from 10am to 4pm on 16th and 17th May (participants must attend both days).

This opportunity is free and open to all, but places are limited and advance booking is essential. To book your place email Dan at: dan.brown@leisureandculturedundee.com or call 01382 432481.

There will be a new Wellbeing event in Baxter Park on Saturday 11th May starting at 10.30am, where we will showcase different ways to live well. Come along early and sign up for some of the different taster sessions such as boxing and yoga on during the day. A community walk will start at 1pm in the park. Healthy food options will be on sale. Check our Facebook pages for updates and for more information: www.facebook.com/stobswellforum

We have organised a return of the fantastic "Doggyfest", our very own Doggyfest in Baxter Park on Sunday 12th May from 10.30am. There will be lots of stalls and activities for dogs and their human friends, including the popular community doggy walk. You don't need to have a dog to attend, but why not borrow a friend's or neighbour's? They'll have a great time and so will you. There will be storytelling and other activities for children and Dundee Instrumental Band will also be part of the celebrations that day, so why not bring along your dancing shoes! A variety of food and beverages will be on sale.

Our Grand Finale, Stobfest's Gala Day is on Saturday 18th May from 11.30am. Come along and join the parade, which starts at Morgan Academy, as it winds its way down Albert Street to the Boomerang Centre, where there will be stalls, food and much more.

The Stobfest programme will be delivered to over 5,000 homes across Maryfield nearer to the festival, so watch out for it and keep it handy to use over the Stobfest week. Please also share it with as many friends and family as you can.

If you would like be involved, have an idea or have the premises to host an event for Stobfest, contact us at: info@stobswell.org.uk or send us a message on our Facebook pages: 'Stobswell Forum' or 'Baxter Park - Celebration in the Park'.

GREEN STOBSWELL



With increasing awareness of issues related to global warming and the environment in general, there is a growing feeling that everyone needs to "do their bit". With that in mind the Stobswell Forum have been talking to the council to find out what we can do in our area to help.

Most of us have seen the news of plastic in the seas and oceans and we only have to walk down the street to see evidence of plastic waste all around us. The question is what can ordinary people in Stobswell do to help? Well that's what we want to ask you.

If you want to get involved in helping make Stobswell that bit greener or have an idea that would make a small or big difference, please get in touch either by dropping us an email at info@stobswell.org.uk or coming into the Arthurstone Community Library for a chat with the Community Regeneration Team.

DUNDEE MUSEUM OF TRANSPORT (NEWS UPDATE)

After the disappointment last year of the failed grant applications there has been lots of work going on to get the museum to move from their present temporary home on Market Street up to the former Tram Depot in Forfar Road.



Local consultations have taken place, with the huge majority of people wanting to see the museum in the tram depot as soon as possible. An architect is now on board and they are working with Scottish Enterprise to prepare the details for future grant applications. This would see a partial demolition at the rear of the building and a new building put in place to allow all of the existing exhibits to be on show as quickly as possible.



If you want to see what the new plans look like please visit: www.maryfieldtramdepot.org/future

The Transport Museum are still looking for your thoughts on what they are trying to achieve. They are also looking for volunteers who have an interest in all things mechanical. So if you are looking for information, want to give your views or want to lend a hand send an email to: info@dmoft.co.uk

CELEBRATION IN THE PARK AND THE DUNDEE MOTOR SHOW

Preparations for Celebration in the Park 2019 are well under way with this year's event promising to be the best ever, with over 200 vintage cars, 50 stalls, a huge variety of food outlets and fun for all the family. Celebration in the Park 2019 will include, a spectacular bird of prey show and a funfair for kids of all ages, plus much, much more.



We are always looking for volunteers to help with preparations or assist on the day, and there is still time to book your place at the event which will take place on Sunday 11th of August.

For more information please contact the Events Group at: info@stobswell.org.uk

FOOD ON FRIDAY

In a partnership with the Stobswell Parish Church, Taught by Muhammad and The Stobswell Forum, there is a new venture providing free hot food at the Park Community Hall between 12 noon and 2pm each Friday.

So if you fancy a hot meal, want some company, or a bit of support, come along to the Park Community Hall on a Friday lunchtime.

For more information contact info@stobswell.org.uk



BAXTER PARK SKATE TRACK GROUP

An intrepid group of skate enthusiasts have set about the task of putting a skate track in Baxter Park. It is early days and they are currently looking for as many people as possible to give them their views on the potential development.

The group have been talking to the local schools, community groups and the council to gauge local support and find out what people would like to see if the development goes ahead.

The Skate Track Group have been active on social media and you can find them on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/baxter.park.skatetrack.group

You can find out a bit more about the proposal and leave questions or views on their page.

FUNERAL LINK AT THE SCOTTY CENTRE

Funeral link are in Stobswell to help alleviate funeral poverty by offering independent and confidential support and help the bereaved save money on all things related to funerals. They'll also assist people to access appropriate support for longer term needs around bereavement and money management.