

Creative Communities Project Peterhead



Earlier this year PETERHEAD received the only award in Scotland from a new funding initiative to support groundbreaking regeneration projects across the UK. The PROJECT initiative, funded by the Commission for Architecture in the Built Environment (CABE) and Arts and Business, awards grants to artists working with the public and private sectors on environment projects. The Peterhead Creative Communities Project is one of only ten schemes to secure funding from more than 40 submissions throughout the UK.

Internationally acclaimed artists Sans Facon and landscape architects DEP Initiatives have been appointed to revamp some of Peterhead's prominent landmarks. Through a process of research, consultation and design, they are providing a visually stimulating solution to some of the run-down public spaces in Peterhead, and laying a firm basis for future development of the town.

Engagement with the community was central to the success of the project's ability to reflect local opinion, ideas and aspirations and ensure the designs are fitting to the main users of the locations. The local arts development officer co-ordinated the application on behalf of Aberdeenshire Council in association with Aberdeenshire Towns Partnership (ATP) and the Revitalisation of Harbour Towns Project.

This project is now in its second phase with Sans Facon now taking on the role as lead artists overseeing the delivery of solutions established through the research.

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