

Lochside newsletter

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Wheatley Homes South and Dumfries and Galloway Council are working closely with the local community to transform Lochside into a **thriving, healthy and sustainable neighbourhood** for people to live, learn and work.

New playpark for Lochside

We're getting ready to go out to tender for a new playpark in Glentroll Park. The plans were originally funded by the National Lottery Our Place programme, and developed by the park's focus group. It will see a range of new features, including accessible play equipment, installed.

We are just waiting on the final okay to proceed from the National Lottery. We will keep you posted as plans develop.



Carly, P1-P4 Winner



Ravenna, P1-P4 Winner

Lochside regeneration competition

In late 2023, children from North West Community Campus and St Teresa's Primary School were invited to create welcome signs for the Lochside regeneration area.

They were asked to create eye-catching signs showing what makes Lochside a great place to live, learn and work.

Around 100 designs were submitted in total with the judging panel full of praise for the high quality of all entries received.

We are thrilled to announce the winners of the competition:

P1-4 winners:

- Carly, North West Community Campus
- Ravenna, St Teresa's RC Primary

P1-4 runners up:

- Amy, St Teresa's RC Primary
- Charli, North West Community Campus

P5-7 winners:

- Bella, North West Community Campus
- Thomas, North West Community Campus

P5-7 runners up:

- Evie, North West Community Campus
- Cole, North West Community Campus

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The four winning designs will be installed at the entrances to Lochside Road, Newton Road and Alloway Road. The four runners-up designs will be installed on posts throughout Lochside.

We would like to thank all those who entered. You will be able to see all submitted designs on display at the community consultation events at North West Community Campus in March.



Thomas, P5-P7 Winner

Upcoming public event

Wheatley Homes South, in partnership with Dumfries and Galloway Council, are working closely with the local community to transform Lochside into a thriving, healthy and sustainable neighbourhood for people to live, learn and work.

Residents are being urged to have their say on exciting plans for the future of Lochside. The plans include building hundreds of new homes which will transform the community, bring additional investment to the area and provide a much-needed boost to the local economy.

Following on from the recent public event held in February, along with colleagues at the council, we are hosting another public event to hear the views of the local community on the future of Lochside.

This will take place on:

**Thursday 14 March 2024
4.30pm to 8pm
North West Community
Campus Alloway Road,
Dumfries, DG2 9LU.**

The event will be held in the atrium and will provide local residents with the chance to learn more about the proposals and speak to Wheatley Homes South and council staff.

This will give you the chance to ask questions and fill out feedback forms. Please note, comments should not be made directly to the council at this time. You will have the

opportunity to make formal representations regarding the proposal when a planning application is submitted.

You said, we did

Listening to views from across the community has been central to our proposals and it is important everyone's voice is heard to help shape the regeneration proposals.

Listening to, and following up on, community issues raised by people living and working in Lochside is important to us.

At a recent focus group, customers advised there was a bollard missing, allowing people to access an area with vehicles, raising safety concerns. The bollard has now been replaced.

The Heras fencing has now been removed from our demolition sites and the ground has been seeded. The grass has now started to come through, making the open spaces more welcoming..

These are just some of the things that have happened following engagement with the local community over the future of Lochside.

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