



Community Engagement Event

BANFF AND MACDUFF



Over 150 people residents came along to Macduff Primary School in July to give us their views on a range of options for community and leisure facilities as part of the Tesco/Canal Park project, developed on the back of engagement sessions held in June.

A number of proposed designs for community and leisure facilities were put on display for people to examine and give their views on. The plans included three options for facilities in Banff and three options for facilities in Macduff.

Visitors were asked to indicate which of the facilities they liked, and were encouraged to provide feedback on the various options.

All the options and feedback can be viewed on the [council's website](#).

The feedback from the session is being used by the council to inform the final designs.

Next meeting – 26th August 6.30pm – 8pm

On Monday 26th August, Aberdeenshire Council will be holding the last of three planned sessions in relation to the replacement facilities for Canal Park.

The council has analysed all the feedback provided by residents and clubs in Banff and Macduff, and used it to inform the final plans which will be unveiled at the meeting.

The meeting, being held at Banff Academy, will take place between 7pm and 8pm. Doors open at 6.30pm for anyone wishing to view the plans and drawings in advance of the meeting starting at 7pm.

In addition to viewing the plans, the Area Manager for Banff & Buchan will outline the forthcoming engagement sessions on the regeneration of the area.

This is a public meeting and we are encouraging anyone with an interest in the leisure and community facilities, or the wider regeneration of Banff and Macduff, to come along to hear about the next steps of the project.

What next?

The proposals being recommended will be brought before committee with a view to agree to proceed to the planning stage. We need to have secured full planning permission for the development before we are able to apply to the Court of Session for approval to take the plans forward. However, we are hopeful that the Court will take into account the enthusiasm and support of local people towards these proposals.

The replacement facilities will be funded through the sale of Canal Park to Tesco and is subject to the Common Good order which must be approved through the Court.

Information about the Banff and Macduff project can be found [here](#).

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