Entrance to Balgay Park at Balgay Road/Scott Street #dundeewestend



We received complaints about the road surface and footways around the entrance to Balgay Park at Balgay Road/Scott Street. We raised this with the City Council and received the following feedback:

"Neighbourhood Services and the Roads Maintenance Partnership have completed their inspections of Balgay Park/Scott Street entrance. Below is their feedback:

Neighbourhood Services

The road surface to the inside of the Balgay Park falls within a promoted cycle route and a request has been submitted to Sustainable Transport Team seeking the possibility of resurfacing of this area due to the degradation experienced through general wear and tear, albeit I am pleased to confirm no actionable defect is present. The park gate / barrier is in need of a repair and as such, repair work is in the process of being organised.

Roads Maintenance Partnership

The surrounding footways leading into Balgay Park are all in good condition with no actionable defect present. The Scott Street carriageway is in a worn condition simply due to its use and age; however no actionable defect is present. Unfortunately due to ongoing funding cuts being passed down to the Roads Maintenance Partnership and the effects of hyperinflation, it is unlikely this carriageway will be resurfaced for the foreseeable future."

<u>Dundee Technopole - an update</u> #dundeewestend



Residents have asked us about progress with the Dundee Technopole — the area to east of Annfield Road — running between Hawkhill to the south and Blackness Road to the north.

We asked for an update from the council's Director of City Development who updated us as follows :

"The existing building fronting the Hawkhill (previously Cyclacel) is currently on site and will be opened shortly as the Centre For Protein degradation.

All other buildings including the Incubator and Tayside Scientific Services remain in use

The University are currently tendering the new building for the Tay Cities Regional Deal funded biomedical cluster, which will occupy the site to the north of the University incubator.

This leaves two or three plots at the northern end of the site which are reserved for future life sciences spin-outs. These will be promoted as part of the Life Sciences Innovation District once this is launched. No fixed time at this stage, but University will move on to this after the Biomedical hub

<u>Department makes Civil Service pay</u> offer

The Department of Finance has today made a pay offer for Northern Ireland Civil Service staff for 2022.

Christmas tree recycling



If you have a real Christmas tree requiring removal, the City Council provides a recycling service for this.

To arrange for a pick-up of your tree please go to the following link — www.dundeecity.gov.uk/service-area/neighbourhood-services/environment/christmas-tree-recycling

Remember to remove tinsel, decorations or any pots and stands before presenting your tree for collection.

Alternatively you can take your tree to the recycling centres at Riverside and Baldovie for disposal. Please note, however, that the Riverside recycling centre has not been open the past couple of days due to flooding at the site.

5 Things to Know About King Alfred the Great

Get a quick picture of some of the achievements of the only English monarch to be called 'the Great'.