

# Garden Tigers, Gold Spangles and Burnished Brass



**From the Curator of Museum Services at the University of Dundee :**

Our next free talk in the D'Arcy Thompson Zoology Museum will be on Tuesday 16th May at 6pm, when Georgia Carr and David Lampard will be speaking on Garden Tigers, Gold Spangles and Burnished Brass: Digitising the Kenneth Tod Moth Collection.

Did you know there are over 2 500 species of moths in the UK compared to 59 species of butterfly? Or that not all moths fly at night? Some moths have ears, some don't have mouths!

Little is known about moths in Angus and Dundee yet there is a wealth of information hiding in our museum stores. The Kenneth Tod Collection at the University of Dundee holds rare, localised Alpine species which are of particular concern in times of changing climate. Learn how digitising museum collections across the county gives the global scientific community access to historical, geographic and taxonomic specimen data that can help answer our greatest ecological and conservation questions. Find out how Tod discovered new and unusual locations for the Small Dark Yellow Underwing and the Northern Dart, and how Tod's fear of other collectors means these locations are a secret to this day.

The Angus Moth Project is an 18-month digitisation project funded by Museums Galleries Scotland. Over the course of the project three historical moth collections at the McManus, Montrose Museum and the University of Dundee have been digitised, photographed, conserved and rehoused. All data pertaining to specimens collected in Watsonian Vice County 90, the historic county of Forfarshire, has been sent to Butterfly Conservation for use in the 2018 National Moth Atlas. Data and specimens are now easily accessible to the scientific community and the wider public.

David Lampard is the Natural History Curator of Invertebrates and Geology at The McManus: Dundee's Art Gallery & Museum. He is the Butterfly Conservation moth recorder for the County of Angus.

Georgia Carr has a background in ecological and conservation management and is the Angus Moth Project officer based at the McManus.

Admission is free but it would be very helpful if you could book a place [here](#).

Refreshments will be served after the talk. Please enter by the main front door of the Carnelley Building. Latecomers may not be admitted.

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## [Lochee Park – former toilets area – grass seeding](#)

Residents will recall that the former toilets in Lochee Park [were finally demolished](#) last November.

I have had a number of enquiries about the state of the site within the park where they were situated – see below :



I contacted Neighbourhood Services at the City Council about this and have now been assured that the area will be prepared and seeded in the coming weeks to add to the grassed area within Lochee Park.

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## [West End Community Council Update](#)

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*May 2017 Update*  
from West End Ward councillor  
Fraser Macpherson  
[www.dundeewestend.com](http://www.dundeewestend.com)

I have today launched my May 2017 Update to West End Community Council.

Subjects covered include:

- Bus Services in the West End
- Utility Works – Blackness Street
- Pavements – Magdalen Yard Road

The Community Council meets tonight at Logie St John's (Cross) Church Hall at 7pm – all residents welcome. You can [download](#) my Update [here](#).

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## **Police Community Surgery today**

The latest police community surgery for the West End is at Blackness Library later today :

# Community Surgeries to be held 2nd Monday of every month from 1-4pm in the Blackness Library Blackness Avenue, Dundee

Come and discuss issues that  
matter to you in your community  
with your local police officers.



**2017 Dates:** 13th Feb, 13th March, 10th April, 8th May, 12th June,  
10th July, 14th Aug, 11th Sept, 9th Oct, 13th Nov, 11th Dec.

Have a chat over a cup of tea



Advice, information, provide an opportunity for  
members of the public to come along and speak  
to police officers in relation to issues that affect  
them in their community



## [John Stoa's latest exhibition](#)

I was delighted to be invited to the Lady in Red art exhibition at John Stoa's studio (17a Menzieshill Road in the West End) and Janet and I popped in yesterday.

There are superb paintings on the "Lady in Red" theme as well as John's

Scottish landscape paintings as well as some still life studies.

The exhibition finishes today but is open from 11am until 5pm, so it is not too late to make a visit. Here's examples of the excellent exhibition :

