

Opening the door to **GREAT** opportunities





## Dumfries & Galloway's first accommodation and employment hub

Loreburn are proud to have developed Dumfries & Galloway's first employment hub offering accommodation for young people. The employment hub will be open to the wider community and will be the region's first and only accommodation offer for younger people that also features on-site training, employment, and volunteering opportunities. With dedicated support,

The Garrick is designed to support the development of employment options to a wide range of local people.

Those accommodated at The Garrick will have access to a range of opportunities to help develop independent

living skills and help to shape their working lives and future careers.





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As a further pioneering approach young people can self-refer into the project. A range of agencies will also be able to signpost or refer young people to the project. Access will be through a choice-based approach, open to anyone who is ready to commit to The Garrick's ethos and principle of 'you get out what you put in'. A concept designed to make the offer - and what is required in return - as transparent as possible. Anyone wishing to apply for a tenancy at The Garrick will need to commit to engaging in work, education or training, or volunteering. Employment Coaches employed by Loreburn with the support of funding from The Hollywood Trust and Dumfries and Galloway Council will help each person on their journey to independent living. Young people will be supported in what might be their first steps into working life or identifying training opportunities which enable better life chances. The approach will be individually tailored to meet a person's job and career aspirations, whether that's through vocational training, direct employment experience or accessing volunteering to build skills and confidence on the path to employment.

The Garrick – Opening Doors to Opportunities - offers a unique opportunity for young people in the region. Opening doors to opportunities - that is our ethos, thought-up by young people when designing their logo for the development.

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**ACCOMMODATION AND SERVICES:** 

one-bedroom flats for young people

two-bedroom bungalows

8 one-bedroom & 4 two-bedroom flats for over 55s

> **Employment and Service** Hub with training facilities, recreational and meeting space and more!

The Garrick is an intergenerational site which will be complemented by other homes and community services...

Elsewhere on the site, new homes will provide a range of accommodation to improve housing choice locally, including bungalows of an exceptionally high standard and dementia friendly accommodation. All designed to enable occupants to continue to live independently in their own homes for as long as possible. The accommodation incorporates specialist design features that will support ageing at home and maintaining independence - whether that's physical frailty or memory loss at any point in the future. Two of the bungalows have been individually designed to accommodate the more specialist physical needs of the people identified to live there.

The Garrick will also provide community café space for local people to visit and will operate as a Hub for **Loreburn's broader business activities** – where tenants and other customers can access Loreburn services Monday to Friday. Designed for community access and benefit to the wider Wigtownshire area, The Garrick will offer Wi-Fi access, space to network or meet up and enjoy recreational activities with a large multi-use space and digital wall helping to facilitate a range of events and meetings. Other local businesses may have a presence in the building and the space is entirely flexible, meaning that if future needs change, the site can be adapted accordingly.

Externally, the design has incorporated some specific landscaping themes designed to maximise biodiversity whilst at the same time managing out costly maintenance of landscaping services - part of Loreburn's commitment to help the environment whilst keeping the costs of accommodation and associated services as low as possible. With some areas being planted with wildflowers, there will be dedicated space for gardening and recreational activities and a relaxing sensory space which can be enjoyed by anyone living in the wider development or working from The Garrick.

## LOOKING FORWARD...

The Garrick is an innovative, unique, brave, and bold development. An operational model has been shaped that can operate without long term local authority revenue funding for support services. Through our shared passion and vision with partners and funders we'll realise a longheld ambition for young people in the West of the region.

Everyone involved in The Garrick is incredibly proud of this latest development, and although like many things held back in more recent times due to the pandemic, we're delighted to finally see The Garrick vision come to fruition and to move to the next stages of delivery.

We look forward to welcoming local people and a wide range of agencies to the development and all it offers.

## **OTHER FEATURES...**

- One to one Office and Private meeting space.
- Community/conference room Multi use space with large digital screen for cinema and fitness events and use at conferences and meetings.
- Meeting space Boardroom style with video conferencing facility.
- Flexible hub space Café bar and light refreshments with lounge style seating, tables and chairs. Space for co-working and to network with Wifi access.









The Garrick logo was designed with the help of young people from the Stranraer region.



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