By email 9/10/19

As a resident of Dundonald I totally support this request.

The visitors centre has been a source of community involvement for years, but due to its astounding popularity, has become too small to deal with the multitude of users that now visit it! I was involved in the archeological dig which took place last year and again for the last two weeks. Even in that 1 year period I was amazed at the number of extra groups, schools, and clubs which now use the Visitors Centre.

In the two week period of the "dig" I saw four school classes—there for the whole day an taught by staff of Dundonald Castle, numerous clubs using the limited space, a multitude of visitors from all over the world, people just dropping in from the village for a coffee or a meal, and youngsters from the local area coming in to use the toilet facilities!

In addition, I saw meetings about this being held in the Visitors Centre—while all this was going on round about them!

It is obvious to me that more space is needed to accommodate ALL the people who wish to use this community asset ,and I heartily agree that the Friends of Dundonald Castle be given their request ASAP, to let them get on with the building of a new, improved, and extended Centre, which will benefit the whole community!



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