

Urban Regeneration – Glasgow Harbour

WHAT IS GLASGOW HARBOUR?

It is a redevelopment of former shipyards, docks, warehouses and granaries.

Glasgow Harbour is a high-quality mixed development combining space for offices, homes, shops and leisure facilities.

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It is located on the north bank of the River Clyde, in Glasgow - in the West End of the city, and near to the city centre.

The Glasgow Harbour site lies between the Clyde Tunnel in the west and the SECC in the east; the north boundary is marked by the Clydeside Expressway.

WHAT WAS THERE BEFORE GLASGOW HARBOUR?

It wasn't so long ago that the River Clyde was the heart of the city of Glasgow - shipbuilding was a key industry, and the shipyards were thriving. Those days are gone. Glasgow has shifted its focus from ship building and heavy industry to retail and business services.

Glasgow Harbour is on the site of the former Meadowside Granary.

WHAT IS AT GLASGOW HARBOUR NOW?

There will be 2,500 apartments; offices; and a retail and leisure district with shops, bars, restaurants, cafes, health and fitness facilities, the city's new Riverside Museum...everything you could need.

There will also be acres of parks and public space, and riverside walkways giving access to over 3 km of waterfront for the first time in decades.

WHAT ABOUT OPEN SPACE?

There will be public parks, landscaped areas, riverside walkways and cycle ways within Glasgow Harbour.

Included will be around 3km of riverside walkway; an 11-acre public park within the residential district; public open space and a square equivalent in size to George Square within the retail, leisure and commercial district; path and cycle routes, landscaping, public art and other public space. All of this will be of the highest quality, and will be created and maintained by Glasgow Harbour.

WHAT ABOUT THE RIVERSIDE MUSEUM?

One of the most exciting elements within Glasgow Harbour will be the city's new Riverside Museum by architect Zaha Hadid.

The new museum is currently under development. It will be a larger and improved replacement for the Transport Museum currently located at the Kelvin Hall, and will be built within Glasgow Harbour on a site where the River Clyde meets with the Kelvin.

What about the benefits?

It is estimated that thousands of jobs will be created by the construction and development phase alone. In total, over 10,000 jobs are anticipated.

In addition to the office space, Glasgow Harbour will be a high quality retail and leisure destination, providing employment and other benefits for the local economy.

Tourism is a valuable contributor to the Scottish economy and a considerable percentage of the visitors to Glasgow Harbour's leisure and retail district, including the Riverside Museum, are expected to be tourists from both the UK and abroad.

Infrastructure improvements will benefit residents and visitors to Glasgow Harbour as well the city as a whole, with considerable road improvements planned to begin in 2005.

Glasgow has a lack of premium quality housing, a need which Glasgow Harbour is addressing. Once again the city benefits, this time directly from the council tax payments they will receive.