

Waterfront Show Gardens

What could you do with 100m²?



Dundee Waterfront Show Gardens

As part of the Waterfront redevelopment Dundee City Council (DCC) are creating a major new civic space stretching from the back of Caird Hall towards the River Tay. Recently named Slessor Gardens, the major part of this new space will be laid out in grass and will have full public access as a public park. To either side of the main park, smaller garden spaces are being created which are to have a more intimate scale and planting.

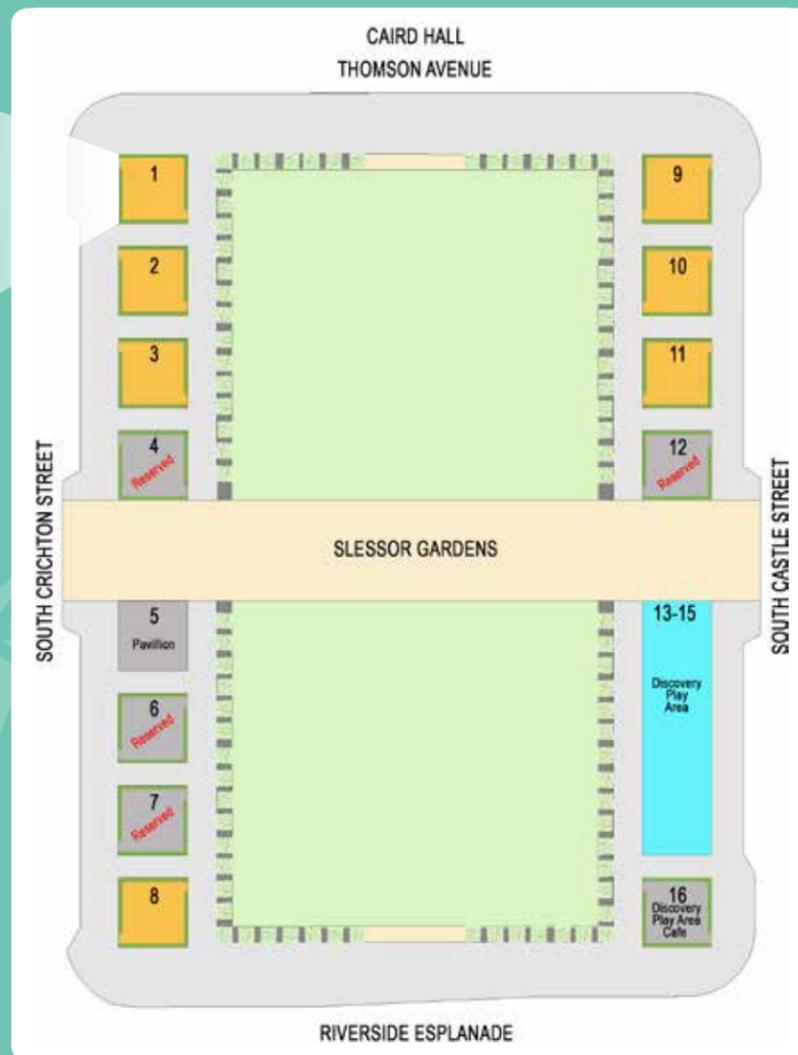
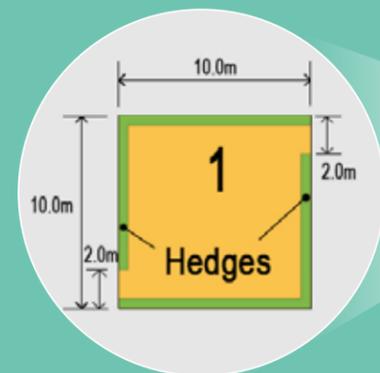
Seven of these gardens, each 10m x 10m, are available for local designers and businesses to develop and plant in their own style. In so doing, we seek to reflect

both the ethos of the V&A and celebrate the city's status as a UNESCO City of Design.

So why not show us what you can do and promote your business right in the centre of Dundee?

Each garden space is available for a 5 year tenure, with an option to extend at the end of the period, during which time all maintenance and upkeep will be at the expense of the successful applicants. There will be an initial fee of £1 per annum for the approved applicants (if sought by Dundee City Council).

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Designs to be submitted for approval by Dundee City Council Judging Panel, based on the following requirements:

- Seven plots are available, each 10m x 10m and each garden should be designed to be viewed from all four sides and internally
- Each Site is level and surrounded by granite paving slabs, a detailed level survey and AutoCAD drawings can be provided if required
- Currently the gardens consist of turf overlaying 100mm topsoil and 50mm sand on a 500mm bed of crushed rock
- Garden design to be based on either fixed year round planting, or seasonal with changing content
- Each garden will have a 1.0m high hedge planted around its perimeter by Dundee City Council. The hedge will have two 2.0m wide gaps diagonally opposite each other which will allow public access. Dundee City Council will maintain this hedge
- Any internal paths included in the design must be a minimum of 1.5m wide and constructed from materials that will prevent tripping and are suitable for wheelchair or pushchair/pram
- Details of any excavations to be provided
- Mains water and electricity supplies are available on site for construction and maintenance
- A proposed maintenance regime must be submitted with designs and this will be subject to agreement with DCC, including the removal of any waste
- 5 year tenure at no cost to DCC with option by agreement to extend at end of period.
- Submissions are encouraged to use the gardens to **showcase local plants**.
- Perhaps reflecting the **design innovations** Dundee has contributed to the world and in particular how local plants have influenced local industry, culture and employment.
- **A Local Heritage dimension** could be included, perhaps with reference to local landmarks
- Designs to consider **biodiversity, sustainability** and **ability** to attract wildlife and insects
- Submitted designs will be expected to encourage and inspire a sense of **'Take Pride in Your City'** and become a landmark itself.

Submissions to contain:

- Minimum of 2 drawings, 1 of which must be a 1:20 scale plan showing the plant species
- Plant list
- Proposed maintenance programme
- Indication of budget
- Indication of timescale for completion

A judging panel will consider the submissions. Judging criteria will be based upon:

- How well the design works
- Its impact and how interesting and creative it is
- Whether the plants are used creatively and effectively?
- Is the garden wildlife/insect friendly?
- Does it consider sustainability issues?

Terms & Conditions:

Occupation of the area shall be regulated by a non-exclusive Licence to Occupy, the specific terms of which shall be agreed with each successful applicant.

Timescale:

Closing date, **Friday 2 October 2015**

Selected entrants will be notified by **23 October 2015**

Entries will not be returned.

Submissions by post or email to:

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