

**Big Things on The Beach** is a local arts trust in Portobello, Edinburgh. The Trust was formed in 2003, by a group of residents in Portobello as a site for the creation and display of public art works by established and emerging artists.

This is our 3rd Imagine Portobello event and is being held in the splendid halls and building of the former Portobello Old Parish Church.

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## **PROGRAMME**

Free entry. Doors and Café open from 10.00am Suggested donation £3 **Imagine Portobello** aims to involve the local community in thinking creatively about how the land and seascape of Portobello can be enhanced for the whole region as well as for residents and local businesses. The day provides the opportunity for people to celebrate creativity in our community, share ideas that are already around and generate ideas for taking arts and cultural developments forward.

## Morning

10.30	<b>Big Welcome</b> Portobello Community Choir	Damian Killeen, Chair, Big Things on the Beach
10.45	Whose culture is it anyway?	Lesley Riddoch, author and journalist.
11.30	Arts and culture in Portobello How would we describe our community? How would we like it to be? What are the opportunities and challenges?	Round table creative conversations - introduced by Bill Jameson
12.25	Mapping our cultural assets Introduction to lunchtime activity.	Graham Acheson, Big Things on the Beach, Architect and Associate, Smith Scott Mullan Associates
12.30	<b>Lunch break.</b> Exhibition of Portobello's past, present and future. Information displays and mapping exercise.	Café open or bring a picnic.

## Afternoon

1.25	Welcome and introduction to the afternoon. Fun Fiddle (Junior)	Damian Killeen
1.35	<ul><li>Imagine Portobello:</li><li>Activities</li><li>Aspirations</li><li>Challenges</li></ul>	Hear from local groups: Book Festival, POD, Wash House, Youth Theatre, Heritage Trust, Big Things on the Beach. Panel and open discussion.
2.30	Cultural development, place making and the local economy.	Andrew Dixon Director of Culture Creativity Place Ltd.
2.45	Tea and Cakes	Main Hall
3.05	Portobello's creative future? Opportunities, resources and organisation. What needs to happen?	Damian Killeen
3.25	Responses What are the City's aspirations for Portobello? What can we do together?	Chair: Andrew Eaton-Lewis, freelance cultural journalist. Cllr. Maureen Child, Cllr. Richard Lewis, Chair, Culture & Leisure Committee, City of Edinburgh Council Janet Archer, Chief Executive, Creative Scotland.
4.25	Closing comments.	Damian Killeen
4.30 –	5.45 Grand Musical Finale (main church auditorium) featuring: Fun Fiddle (Senior) Rosie and Tommy Nimmo Emily Elver Eileen Penman Guitar Ensemble, Portobello Music School Portobello Community Choir	MC. Max Scratchmann Portobello Poetry Circus.