

IMPORTANT PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Portaferry Regeneration is drawing up a regeneration plan for Portaferry. It will be the basis of a bid for significant funding from the National Lottery and whilst it may or may not be successful, it must be based on a plan that preserves and uses local heritage. We invite you to identify the heritage you think is important to preserve and has the potential to be developed into projects that could help to regenerate the town. (For a short video see <https://www.facebook.com/Portaferry-Regeneration-592429327822585/>).

One example would be conserving and using our **Maritime History**. For instance, sailing has a long tradition in this area and the funding could be used to tell the story of traditional sailing craft and mariners, through the use of digital media. In addition, it could also fund the purchase of sailing craft for learners, organising sailing lessons for coaching and running sailing trips on the Lough.

Below are **10 examples of local heritage**, with an additional space for others you feel might be missing and are important to you. Simply rank them in their order of importance with **No. 1 being the most important** and **No. 10 the least**. Return the form to us before Fri 28th Feb 2020.

Do this on paper, or Survey monkey (easier!). Look up <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/F2MS622> and fill it in online via phone, tablet or computer. Or fill it in, take a clear picture on mobile & email it.

- Conservation of our Townscape and Preservation of Key Historic Buildings.
- Natural History; Strangford Lough, Birds, Animals and Sea-life.
- Pre-History; Hunters and Gatherers. Around Strangford Lough and Millin Bay.
- Christian Heritage; Derry Churches, St Cooley's wells, Portico, Castle Hill, etc.
- The Vikings raiding and settling in Strangford Lough.
- John de Courcy, Montgomery, Savage and Nugent families and their impact.
- The Maritime History; Boats, Shipbuilding, the Ferry, Rope, Kelp, Fishing.
- Farming and Agriculture.
- Family Trees, Genealogies and Living Graveyards.
- Cultural Heritage; Art in all its forms, Crafts, Dance, Music and Sport.
- Other (Fill in) _____

We will compile the results and the outcome of the survey, with individual responses kept confidential. Conclusions drawn from the survey will be presented at a public meeting.

Completed forms will be placed in a draw for a **£50 voucher for any shop of your choice in Portaferry**. Just complete this form and include your name, email and a contact phone number if you want to be included (if not, leave blank). Only one entry per person. The Prize will be drawn in **March 2020**.

Please return your completed paper forms to

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Thanks for your participation! If you want to enter the competition fill in your details here.

Name _____ Tel. _____

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