

# press release

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**Falkirk Council**

## Consultation opens on town centre regeneration plans

Consultation starts on October 19 on plans for a regeneration project in the centre of Falkirk.

The plans centre on the historic Falkirk Old and St Modan's Parish Church where, with the help of Scottish Government regeneration funding, it is aimed to improve the use, vibrancy and enjoyment of the town centre between Falkirk High and Grahamston Stations.

It is planned to make the area safer, more accessible and attractive and to improve links to areas like Central Retail Park. Included in the project area are the church, its graveyard and connections with Upper Newmarket Street, Kirk Wynd and the High Street.

Improvements planned include:

- quality surfacing, lighting and street furniture
- planting and shrub removal in the graveyard
- site and area interpretation and public art at the church
- new directional signage throughout the town centre

The plans will go on show on October 19 until November 7 at Falkirk Council Municipal Buildings, the church lounge and on the third floor of the Howgate centre as well as [www.falkirkonline.net/regenerationfund](http://www.falkirkonline.net/regenerationfund)

Falkirk Council, which won £2 million in regeneration funding, has worked closely with the church, local Councillors, Falkirk and District Town Centre Management, Falkirk Local History Society and Falkirk Business Improvement District (BID) to develop the project.

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“Improving town centres is a major part of Falkirk Council’s Economic Action Plan for helping local business beat the financial downturn and boost jobs and the local economy, “ said the Convener of Economic Strategy and Development, Councillor Craig Martin. “The Falkirk town centre project is a very exciting one which will bring about major improvements in an area which is of critical importance to our economy.”

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