Architecture + Design Scotland



A+DS is Scotland's champion for excellence in placemaking, architecture and planning.

We are an executive non-departmental public body (NDPB) of the Scottish Government.

Our aim is to support the creation of places that work, that provide opportunity and which are places where people want to be.

We work across Scotland by:

- Collaborating to achieve good architecture and sustainable places
- Supporting and influencing partners to create the best places
- Inspiring Scotland's people to value good buildings and sustainable places

We help plan-makers through our 'sustainable placemaking' and 'place visioning' programmes to assist planning authorities in their efforts to produce 'ambitious and visionary plans that guide where development should go'.

Through our Design Forum we seek to get involved with projects of national and strategic significance at as early a stage as possible; working with planning authorities and other key development partners to facilitate the best possible outcomes.

Design and place-making have become increasingly prominent issues for planners, and the need to provide support for skills development in this area has prompted action from many organisations; A+DS has been pleased to work with the Key Agencies to deliver a series of masterplanning training exercises.

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