



Fringe Programme: Wednesday 14th November

Fringe workshops are organised and led by another organisation; provide no feedback to Scottish Rural Action or the Rural Parliament, unless stated below and agreed in advance with SRA; not guaranteed an audience; and can be 'private' workshops open only to a specific audience.

All fringe events below are open to the public as well as participants in the Rural Parliament. Members of the public who only want to attend fringe events can book a place here and you can take your ticket straight to the event: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/scottish-rural-parliament-2018-fringe-film-and-exhibition-14th-nov-tickets-51802350224>

13:00 – 15:35

Film programme

Auditorium, Ryan Centre

Drop in any-time for a rolling programme of short and longer films on rural Scotland, rural development and anything else we found interesting! Includes a showing of #NationNorway by Lesley Riddoch at 13:00-14:00.

Climate Change

GP Room, Ryan Centre

with Gill Hay

A drop-in session you can pop along to at any time, exploring what Climate Change will mean for rural Scotland and what we need to do to address and reduce the impacts. We will submit the resulting statement to the Scottish Rural Parliament on Thursday afternoon as an addition to the Manifesto for rural Scotland.

13:10 – 14:10

The challenges of supporting the long-term resettling of refugee families in rural areas

F23, College

with Carolyn Yates

In recent years the Scottish Government has welcomed refugees to both urban and rural areas. However, in rural areas we face not only the same challenges for any resettling families anywhere, but the added complexity of the difficulties rural communities themselves face in modern Scotland. How can we encourage families to invest in their future in rural Scotland when urban areas offer them so much more in terms of cultural diversity in schools and communities, opportunities to integrate and better infrastructure, such as broadband speed, transport and access to further and higher education? This is an open discussion to share experiences and ideas.

Brainstorming Rural Barriers**F22, College***with DG Voice*

DG Voice, the representative organisation of disabled people in Dumfries and Galloway, invite participants to discuss barriers faced to life in our beautiful area and in particular, those faced by disabled people. In this interactive workshop we will raise awareness of the problems and look for potential solutions. Dumfries and Galloway has an ageing population and one in five people are disabled so issues such as transport, connectivity and isolation are of particular relevance.

Keep Scotland the Brand**G31, College***with campaign founder, Ruth Watson*

Find out more about why Scotland's name is good for business, from Scotch Beef to the Arbroath Smokie, Tourism to Tatties. A short introduction to the #keepScotlandtheBrand campaign followed by a facilitated discussion. Observations, ideas, different perspectives welcomed.

13:30 – 15:30**A Celebration of 25 Years of Scottish LEADER****Stranraer Library***with Peter Ross, Chair of LEADER Chairs*

A facilitated discussion with the Local action Group Chairs about past successes and suggestions for the future open to all.

Transforming Wigtownshire**G34a, College***with Wigtownshire Health and Social Care*

Short presentation, followed by round table, facilitated discussion, following on from work already carried out at other public events.

GPs - how to get them and how to keep them**F21, College***with Scottish Rural Medicine Collaborative and NHS Scotland*

Find out how you can be involved in recruiting and keeping GPs for rural Scotland.

Brexit: What does it mean for the rural third sector in Scotland?**Burns House***with Third Sector Dumfries & Galloway*

Deal or no deal, Brexit WILL have an impact on the third sector! Take your opportunity to raise points, ask questions and listen to others' views. TSD&G will ensure that a summary of the issues raised at the event is put to the Secretary of State for Scotland and the First Minister.

14:30 – 15:30**Rural Engagement Service (Connecting People and Places)****F22, College***with Auchinleck Community Development Initiative*

Development, Delivery and Evaluation of a Rural Engagement Programme operating within the rural communities of Auchinleck, Muirkirk, Logan and Catrine of East Ayrshire.

Auchinleck Community Development Initiative (ACDI) is approaching the end of the Support to Engage Programme (STEP) delivery provision. As part of ACDI's continual review and delivery process, Community Enterprise were commissioned to assess STEP by gathering internal data and reflecting on previous research (look back), facilitate thinking about where STEP is now (current situation) and, more importantly, undertake some horizon planning (looking forward) to help ACDI plan a new and different programme that is about combating social isolation within rural areas and building social capital and connections by using existing community assets to create a more vibrant place.

A key factor of the CE review and assessment was that from its origin, STEP was rooted historically in a need to engage and refer people to appropriate support that was relevant to their needs and aspirations. However, it also became clear that the dynamics of both STEP as a provision and ACDI as a Community Anchor Organisation had evolved into something much more effective and powerful.

A National Park for Galloway

G46, College

With Galloway National Park Association

Recent reviews of National Parks in Wales and England have reaffirmed the value of National Parks to high quality rural environments and the communities that live there. In this workshop we will share the experiences of the Galloway National Park Association in its work to date to achieve National Park status for the Kingdom of Galloway.

Sustainable Development and Land Reform - getting the land you want for the things you need.

G31, College

with Scottish Government

This workshop is to get communities thinking about how they could make use of land for sustainable development, and the ways they could get the land they need to do that. Scottish Government is making regulations for a new right to buy for sustainable development and we want to hear ideas from Scotland's rural communities about how they could make use of land for sustainable development. We especially want to hear from young people seeking sustainable futures in rural areas.

Safer communities, More jobs

F23, College

with the A77 Action Group

To allow discussion about the challenges faced by the commuters using the A77 road.

16:00 – 17:00

Remote Control

with Performance Collective Stranraer

Performance Collective Stranraer takes you to a small town in remote and rural part of Scotland and shows you what it's like as we attempt to grow into adulthood. Our show is about theories of evolution, parking violations and that look you get in a local pub when you walk in... and you're clearly not from there. Remote Control was shown at the National Theatre of Scotland's Exchange festival in Inverness and is written by the company with Drew Taylor. PCS is funded by The Hollywood Trust, The Barfill Trust and DGU.

