

## **Holy Isle: Workshop and Travel Information**

### **Meeting times & place**

Meet in the waiting room at Ardrossan Ferry terminal on Friday 1st May at **08.45**. The Ferry to Brodick departs at 09.45 and passengers need to be boarded promptly.

***Please ensure you are there in plenty of time as the ferry will not wait!***

Arriving in Brodick we take the Jet boat directly to Holy Island. As it is an open boat this may be a wet crossing depending on weather conditions; it is advisable to bring full waterproofs and ensure your bags are waterproofed – even if it is just with black bags.

The workshop will commence after lunch, in the afternoon.

**Long weekend retreat:** departure will be after lunch on Sunday 3rd May, by Jet boat to Brodick on Arran, in time to catch the Ferry to Ardrossan arriving there at 17.35

**5 day Spring retreat:** departure will be on Tuesday 5th May, by Jet boat to Brodick, to catch the Ferry to Ardrossan arriving there at 20.15

### **Travel – how to get to Ardrossan**

Ardrossan Ferry Terminal is approximately 30 miles SW of Glasgow on the Firth of Clyde.

**Road** : From Glasgow, take the M8 West past the airport, follow the slip road for Irvine A737, stay on this road through Dalry (left at the lights, first right, then first left – all signed Ardrossan). A few miles down this country road turn left signed Ardrossan (B780). At the end of this road you are in Ardrossan; turn left & then right at the lights. At the end of this road is the Ferry terminal. Park in the security car park on the left, before the vehicle loading park and walk to the waiting room. **Please be there in plenty of time.**

**Train** : There are direct train links to the Arran Ferry terminal at Ardrossan from Glasgow; travel time approx 45 minutes. The Glasgow train leaves Central Station at 08.33am & will link directly with the ferry. We will meet you with your ferry tickets when the train arrives at Ardrossan (09.20am) Please ensure you get on the right half of the train as it sometimes splits before Ardrossan & half the train goes to Largs!

**Plane** : Fly to Glasgow or Prestwick Airport. Both have cheap flights from all over the UK with Easy Jet / Ryan air / BMI baby etc. Both Airports have easy train links to Ardrossan. It is probably easier to fly the previous day and find accommodation near Ardrossan to ensure your connection with the Ferry.

### **Overnight accommodation**

If you are travelling the day before and require a B&B, there are a few local to Ardrossan and within easy taxi distance to the Ferry terminal.

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### **What to bring**

- **loose comfortable clothing** (no tight jeans, belts etc)
- **outdoor clothing and footwear** (there are some lovely walks on the Island)
- **Waterproofs**
- **toiletries and sleeping wear** (small towels for showering are provided)
- **indoor slip-on shoes or slippers**
- **torch**

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