



The Falkland Society

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Falkland Society meeting – 8 April 2026

Our next meeting will once again be a hybrid meeting, at 7 p.m. on Wednesday 8 April, in person in the Craig Room, Falkland Parish Church, and online by Zoom.

Our speaker for April is **Carron Tobin**, on “**Community-led Tourism**”.



In Falkland it's hard to ignore the impact of tourism, so we're delighted to have such a distinguished speaker to talk to us about ways of handling tourism that take the needs of local communities into account.

Carron Tobin devoted 15 years of her career to the forming and establishing Scotland's first National Park: Loch Lomond and the Trossachs. In 2009 she established her own consultancy – **ruralDimensions Ltd** – working across Scotland on sustainable tourism, community development and stakeholder engagement.

Carron is one of the founding directors of **SCOTO**, the Scottish Community Tourism Network, which brings together communities and individuals who are keen to develop a community-led approach to tourism; it provides peer to peer support and has been raising awareness of what particular communities are doing, so as to inspire others.

Carron has developed the SCOTO **Press Pause**[®] initiative, which enables individual communities to consider what could be done differently to ensure that tourism benefits the life of their community, and has now supported over 70 communities across Scotland.



Future programme

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| 8 April Carron Tobin, Director, ruralDimensions – <i>Community-led tourism</i> (see above). | 9 Sep Joe Fitzpatrick – <i>An Update on the archaeological discoveries around Falkland.</i> |
| 13 May Craig Cameron – <i>The revival of the Teasses Estate, Ceres.</i> We hope to follow up Craig's talk with a visit to the outstanding gardens. | 14 Oct John Gilbert – <i>Hunting with Mary Queen of Scots – the sequel.</i> |
| 10 June James Simpson, architect – <i>Some notable case studies in a busy professional life.</i> | 11 Nov James Storrar of Rossie – <i>History all around: a square mile of Fife</i> |

Our meetings are normally held on Wednesdays, in the Craig Room at Falkland Parish Church. If you can't get there in person please register for our Newsletter at www.falklandsociety.org.uk/contact.shtml and we'll send you full details each month, including a link to join the meeting online via Zoom.

For recordings of previous talks see www.falklandsociety.org.uk/previous.shtml. We also maintain the Historic Falkland website (www.historicfalkland.scot) with resources about the history of our town, and the Falkland Wiki (www.falkland.wiki) with a database of information about Falkland's Historic Buildings.

