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# 2018 SURF STUDY VISIT: THU 12 APRIL PROGRAMME FOR BRITISH COUNCIL POLAND DELEGATION

**Purpose:** To share and exchange information on the project themes of place-based regeneration, spatial planning, entrepreneurship development, and social regeneration in Scotland.

**Venue:** In the Mary Barbour Suite of the Pearce Institute, a historically significant building on 840-860 Govan Road in the south of Glasgow, within a five minute walk of Govan subway station ([location map](#)).

**Date:** Thursday 12 April 2018.

## MORNING SESSION – NATIONAL CONTEXT

- 10:45am      **Coffee, welcome and introductions**  
SURF Chief Executive **Andy Milne** will provide an overview of the day's programme.
- 11:00am      **Guest Presentation: Susan Bolt, Regeneration Division, Scottish Government**  
The Scottish Government holds national responsibility for the support of place-based regeneration across the country. Regeneration and Towns Policy Manager, Susan Bolt, will tell delegates about the National Regeneration Strategy and current policy priorities.
- 11:20pm      **The SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration**  
SURF's **Emma Scott** will tell delegates about SURF's prestigious and long-running regeneration project awards process, highlighting some recent winners.
- 11:40am      **Questions and Comments**  
SURF's Andy Milne will facilitate an open discussion on the similarities and contrasts between regeneration policy and practice in Scotland and Poland.
- 12:20pm      **Lunch**  
A buffet lunch will be served in the Pearce Institute.

## AFTERNOON SESSION – LOCAL RESPONSES

- 1:00pm      **Guest Presentation: Eamonn Campbell, Area Planner, Glasgow City Council**  
Central Govan Action Plan (CGAP) is an agency that has delivered more than £120m of investment in the physical regeneration of the socially and economically challenged Govan area of Glasgow, working to an objective of attracting more people to live and work in the area. Eamonn Campbell of CGAP partner Glasgow City Council will provide detail on the history of the Govan community and selected regeneration investments.
- 1:40pm      **Walking Tour of Govan**  
Eamonn Campbell and colleagues from SURF will take delegates on a short tour of Govan town centre and waterfront, highlighting some of the key physical regeneration developments mentioned in the previous presentation.
- 2:20pm      **Local Project Visit: The Govan Stones**  
Visitors will receive a guided tour of The Govan Stones by Project Manager **Frazer Capie**. On display in Govan Old Church, the Stones are a set of early medieval sculptures that commemorated Govan's history as a Seat of Kings in the ancient Kingdom of Strathclyde. A new tourist attraction, the Stones were named Scotland's "best hidden gem" in a 2017 history, heritage and archaeology competition.
- 3:00pm      **Questions and Comments**  
Delegates are invited to discuss comparative views and lessons based on Govan's regeneration challenges, assets and opportunities in a closing session.
- 3:30pm      **Close of Visit**

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