

#ChallengePovertyDG

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CHALLENGE POVERTY WEEK

DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY
7th - 13th October 2019



What is Challenge Poverty Week?

Challenge Poverty Week is an opportunity for you to raise your voice against poverty and show what needs to be done to tackle poverty across Scotland.

130 organisations large and small supported Challenge Poverty Week last year, and we hope even more get behind it this year.

The main aims of the week are to:

- Show the reality of poverty in Scotland and challenge stereotypes
- Highlight and showcase the solutions to poverty
- Increase public support for action to solve poverty

This programme gives you details of the activities and events taking place across Dumfries and Galloway for Challenge Poverty Week 2019.

**For more details on Challenge Poverty Week 2019, please visit
www.povertyalliance.org**

Welcome

In Dumfries and Galloway, we are committed to improving the lives of people in our region experiencing poverty in all its forms. During Challenge Poverty Week there is a range of activities and events that allow you to share with us the reality of poverty in your local community, but also to highlight and tell us about the solutions to poverty.

The programme gives the opportunity in every Ward to tell us what poverty and inequalities mean in your area and what issues are important to you whether it be transport, welfare and benefits, fuel, clothing or food. This will be the start of a conversation on what you feel the Council should do in coming years to improve the lives of those experiencing poverty.

Our Council is committed to challenging poverty throughout the year, but this national week gives us the opportunity to highlight this further.

There are events across the region and we hope that you are able to come along!



Councillor Andy Ferguson
Chair of Communities Committee



Councillor John Martin
Vice Chair of Communities Committee

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Monday 7th October

What



Inequalities in Action
An interactive workshop to challenge misconceptions around inequalities and income related poverty



Making our Voices Heard
Consultation with Poverty Alliance



Pupil Equity Fund Showcase
Get an overview of the PEF projects that are contributing to reducing the poverty related attainment gap



Celebration of Achievements
Young people from Wigtownshire will be recognised for their achievements in the community

Where

Oasis Youth Centre
Newall Terrace, Dumfries

The Bridge
Glasgow Road, Dumfries

Council Chambers
English Street, Dumfries

Wigtown County Buildings
Wigtown

When

12noon - 1.30pm

1.00pm - 4.00pm

3.00pm - 4.00pm

7.00pm - 9.00pm

Who

- Decision Makers including
- Community Councillors
 - Elected Members
 - Senior Officers
- Tackling Poverty Reference Group
- Elected Members
- All Community Members
- Elected Members
- Young People aged 12-25

Tuesday 8th October

What



Cuppa and a Chat
Your chance to tell us what poverty means in your local community over a cup of tea



Champions Board
Discussion on care experienced young peoples experience of poverty



Celebration of Achievements
Young people from Stewartry will be recognised for their achievements in the community

Where

ADS Cafe, Dalbeattie
Kate's Kitchen, Lockerbie Town Hall
Locharbriggs Village Hall, Dumfries

Youth Enquiry Service,
DG1, Dumfries

Castle Douglas Town Hall
St Andrews Street, Castle Douglas

When

12noon - 2.00pm

4.00pm - 6.00pm

7.00pm - 9.00pm

Who

- All Welcome
- Care Experienced Young People
- Corporate Parents
- All Community Members
- Elected Members
- Young People aged 12-25

Wednesday 9th October

What



Business Breakfast - Respectful Funerals
An opportunity for local funeral directors to come together with Council staff to discuss respectful funerals



#ROOTS2.0
Youth activist and young leaders event to discuss and debate issues affecting young people



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Celebration of Achievements
Young people from Nithsdale will be recognised for their achievements in the community

Where

Dumfries

Easterbrook Hall
Bankend Road, Dumfries

Action for Children,
Greystone Avenue, Kelloholm
The Lookout, 42-44 High Street, Langholm

North West Community Campus
Alloway Road, Dumfries

When

8.00am - 9.00am

11.00am - 5.30pm

12noon - 2.00pm

7.00pm - 9.00pm

Who

- Funeral Directors
- Young People aged 12-25
- All Welcome
- All Community Members
- Elected Members
- Young People aged 12-25

Thursday 10th October

What



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Cuppa and a Chat
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Celebration of Achievements
Young people from Annandale & Eskdale will be recognised for their achievements in the community

Where

McMillan Hall
Dashwood Square, Newton Stewart

ADS Cafe, Castle Douglas
Summerhill Community Centre
Kate's Kitchen, Annan

Lockerbie Academy
Glasgow Road, Lockerbie

When

9.30am - 11.00am

12noon - 2.00pm

7.00pm - 9.00pm

Who

Decision Makers including

- Community Councillors
- Elected Members
- Senior Officers

- All Welcome

- All Community Members
- Elected Members
- Young People aged 12-25

Friday 11th October

What



Money For Life
Free training for trainers on how to deliver the Money for Life Programme which builds practical money skills and confidence in young people



Cuppa and a Chat
Your chance to tell us what poverty means in your local community over a cup of tea

Where

Castle Douglas Community Centre
Cotton Street, Castle Douglas

ADS Cafe, Kirkcudbright
Penninghame Church Hall, Newton Stewart
The Usual Place, Dumfries
Fed Up Cafe, Baptist Church, Stranraer

When

9.30am - 12.30pm

12noon - 2.00pm

Who

- Teachers
- Youth Workers
- Community Volunteers

- All Welcome

More information on our Cuppa and a Chat sessions and our free film screenings can be found on the next page

For more details on Challenge Poverty Week 2019, please visit www.povertyalliance.org



Registration Required



Closed session



Just turn up

To register for events marked  please visit

www.challengepovertydg.eventbrite.com

LIVE BELOW THE LINE CHALLENGE YOURSELF

Set yourself the challenge of living on £5 for all your food and drink during Challenge Poverty Week?

Working out at £1 per day, this is your chance to see how far you can make your money last. Breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and coffee breaks – this challenge aims to be a reality check for decision makers to realise the basic cost of living in 2019 and the tight budgets many families in our region are living on each week.

This challenge will run Monday 7th – Friday 11th October

If you take on the #LiveBelowTheLine challenge, we want to hear your experiences so make sure to e-mail us at Challenge.Poverty@dumgal.gov.uk

This challenge is many people's reality so we ask that should you choose to post on social media you do so with this thought in mind.

To sign up to the challenge, just email Challenge.Poverty@dumgal.gov.uk before Friday 4th October

Remember to use #LiveBelowTheLine on social media

POVERTY AND INEQUALITIES IN SCHOOLS AND YOUTH GROUPS


So what is poverty? How can we better understand inequality?

Our commitment is that every Primary and Secondary School and Youth Groups will deliver a minimum of one session with children and young people surrounding poverty and inequalities during Challenge Poverty Week.

Session plans designed by the Poverty Alliance will give staff and volunteers the information they need to deliver workshops and activity-based learning with children and young people in both informal and formal learning environments. Our goal is to challenge the stigma and raise understanding surrounding poverty and inequalities through conversation.

Classes and groups are encouraged to document their learning and share their stories to be entered into a prize draw to win £100 to a local cause of their choosing.

Tell us about what you've been up to or to request a resource pack, by e-mailing Challenge.Poverty@dumgal.gov.uk.



Cuppa and a Chat

Your chance to tell us what poverty means in your local community over a cup of tea.

Tell us about the issues important to you, whether it be transport, benefits, fuel, clothing or food. What you tell us will influence the new Tackling Poverty plan for Dumfries and Galloway.

Find out how you can get involved in the new local area groups to make a change in your community.

Pop in for a free cup of tea and a biscuit.



**12NOON - 2.00PM
ALL WELCOME**

TUE 8TH OCT

ADS Cafe, St Peter's Church Hall, Dalbeattie, DG5 4AX

Kate's Kitchen, Lockerbie Town Hall, DG11 2ES

Locharbriggs Village Hall, Dumfries, DG1 1QE

WED 9TH OCT

Action for Children, Greystone Avenue, Kelloholm, DG4 6RB

The Lookout 42-44 High Street, Langholm, DG13 0JH

THU 10TH OCT

ADS Cafe, Castle Douglas Parish Church Hall, Queen Street, Castle Douglas, DG7 1EG

Summerhill Community Centre, Ballochmyle Terrace, Dumfries, DG2 9EF

Kate's Kitchen, 2-4 Bank Street, Annan, DG12 6AA

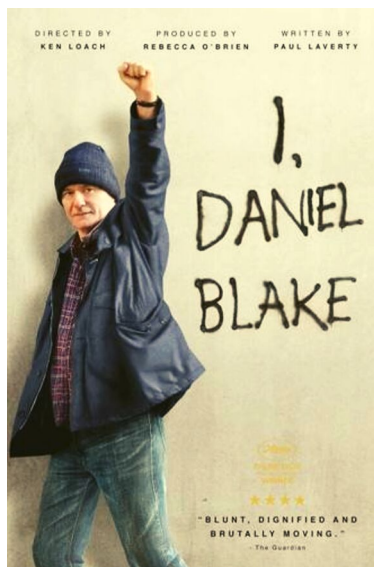
FRI 11TH OCT

ADS Cafe, St. Andrews & St. Cuthberts Church Hall, High Street, Kirkcudbright, DG6 4JW

Penninghame Church Hall, Newton Stewart, DG8 6ER

The Usual Place, Academy Street, Dumfries, DG1 1BZ

Fed Up Cafe, The Baptist Church, Bellevilla Road, Stranraer, DG9 8ED



Free Screenings

Daniel Blake (Dave Johns) is a 59-year-old widowed carpenter who must rely on welfare after a recent heart attack leaves him unable to work. Despite his doctor's diagnosis, British authorities deny Blake's benefits and tell him to return to his job. As Daniel navigates his way through an agonizing appeal process, he begins to develop a strong bond with a destitute, single mother (Hayley Squires) who's struggling to take care of her two children.

Ryan Centre, Stranraer	TIME	DATE
Robert Burns Film Theatretre, Dumfries	TIME	DATE
A the Airts, Sanquhar	TIME	DATE
Lonsdale Cinema, Annan	TIME	DATE
Castle Douglas Town Hall, Castle Douglas	TIME	DATE

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