

Dunkeld and Birnam

Dunkeld and Birnam is a thriving community in Highland Perthshire. The two parts are separated by the river Tay which is bridged by a magnificent Telford bridge, and together they provide a wide range of services for locals and tourists.

There is a local primary school of approximately 150 pupils which also has a nursery class. It is set in a beautiful grass playground with an outdoor classroom and garden areas. For secondary education the children have a choice of Perth High School in the nearby city (12 miles), or Breadalbane Academy in the more rural setting of Aberfeldy (17 miles). Both schools have very good reputations.

For our more senior friends, there is excellent Servite sheltered housing and also a local care home. On Tuesday there is a senior citizens lunch club, and on Fridays a community coffee morning. There is a doctor's surgery with a practice nurse, which provides a range of medical support to the community. There are 2 dentist practices. A supermarket and a range of independent shops provide for most day to day shopping needs and a wide range of pubs, cafes and restaurants are available.

Within this vibrant and sociable community there are opportunities to follow a wide range of leisure pursuits. As well as the fishing on the Tay, there is an excellent 18 hole golf course, tennis courts and a bowling green. We have a local football club and a ladies football team and an over 35s rugby team. At nearby Spittalfield there is a thriving cricket club. The whole area offers excellent walking and biking opportunities.

For the less active there is our fantastic arts centre which hosts a range of productions of music and drama, as well as being the venue for many classes. The current programme lists ballet, amateur dramatics, ceramics, a choir and yoga. There are cinema screenings of opera and ballet, music from jazz to country, comedy from well-known artists and several drama productions – it is hard to be bored in Dunkeld and Birnam!

To help you keep up to date there is the free local newspaper – The Bridge- which makes sure you can always find a tradesman, and never miss a social event!

