

Scotland's Drill Halls

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Preface

In 2015–16, as part of our commemoration of the centenary of the First World War, we carried out a nationwide review of drill halls to assess them for designation.

Our preliminary report used Dr Gordon Barclay's audit 'The Built Heritage of the First World War'. The primary source for this audit was a UK wide survey of drill halls by Mike Osborne, published in *Always Ready: the Drill Halls of Great Britain's Volunteer Forces* (2006). This data was used alongside historical mapping to find new or 'lost' halls. Research work by The Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historic Monuments of Scotland was added to the information.

Of the 350 or so drill halls built by 1918, around 180 are thought to survive in Scotland. We assessed unlisted drill halls for listing and reviewed the designation of existing listed drill halls. This report summarises the results of this review.

New listings

Nine purpose built drill halls were newly listed All were listed at category C in recognition of their local interest.

Huntly Family Centre, 4 Deveron Road, Huntly, Aberdeenshire (LB52389)
Arbroath Community Centre, Marketgate, Arbroath, Angus (LB52386)
Hepburn House, 89 East Claremont Street, Edinburgh (LB52390)
Bruce Street Hall, 37-39 Bruce Street, Dunfermline, Fife (LB52373)
Castletown Drill Hall, Main Street, Castletown, Highland (LB52382)
Former Drill Hall, 21 Sinclair Street, Thurso, Highland (LB52381)
Victoria Hall, High Street, Cromarty, Highland (LB52384)
War Memorial Hall, Fort Augustus, Highland (LB52383)
Joint Cadet Centre, High Street, Forres, Moray (LB52374)

Renewed listings

20 purpose-built drill halls which were already listed were reviewed. The listed buildings records were updated and now have maps and photographs. The review resulted in seven changes of listing category (two from category A to B, two from category C to B and three from category B to C).

Angus Classic Interiors, 13 Bank Street, Brechin, Angus (LB22414)	Listed at category C
Geilston Hall, Main Road, Cardross, Argyll and Bute (LB42911)	Category changed from C to B
Armoury House, Perth Road, Birnam, Perth and Kinross (LB11129)	Category changed from B to C
Loreburn Hall, 43 Newall Terrace, Dumfries, Dumfries and Galloway (LB26287)	Listed at category B
43 Titchfield Street, Kilmarnock, East Ayrshire (LB48786)	Listed at category C

Army Reserves Centre, 124 McDonald Road, Edinburgh (LB30285)	Category changed from B to C
The Out of the Blue Drill Hall, 32, 34 and 36 Dalmeny Street, Edinburgh (LB26729)	Category changed from B to A
230 Auldhouse Road, Glasgow (LB33914)	Listed at category C
Former Pearson Hall, Yorkhill and Carfrae Streets, Glasgow (LB33024)	Listed at category B
31 and 33 Coplaw Street, Glasgow (LB33688)	Listed at category C
Lanarkshire Regimental Drill Hall, 21 Jardine Street, Glasgow (LB32272)	Listed at category B
Old Jail and former Drill Hall, Castle Street, Dornoch, Highland (LB24638)	Listed at category B
St Peter and St Boniface RC Church, Cathedral Square, Fortrose, Highland (LB31816)	Category changed from C to B
Drill Hall, Old Bank Road, Golspie, Highland (LB12951)	Category changed from B to A
Masonic Hall, Orlig Street, Thurso, Highland (LB42009)	Listed at category C
Village Hall, Main Road, Blair Atholl. Perth and Kinross (LB6104)	Listed at category B
76 High Street, Paisley, Renfrewshire (LB39026)	Listed at category B
35 Back Row, Selkirk, Scottish Borders (LB43741)	Listed at category C
Former Drill Hall Offices, Princes Street, Stirling (LB41103)	Listed at category B
1-7 Burns Statue Square, Ayr, South Ayrshire (LB21517)	Category changed from B to C

Revised listed building records

The listed building records of a further 18 drill halls were updated. The following six of these 18 were purpose-built.

Former Volunteer Hall, 51 Queen Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, (LB25866)	Listed at category B
5 Forrest Hill Road and 41 Forrest Road, Edinburgh (LB27773)	Listed at category B
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1, 2 Custom House Street, Ullapool, Highland (LB49788)	Listed at category C
Volunteer Hall, St John's Street, Galashiels, Scottish Borders (LB50720)	Listed at category C
Coldingham Public Hall, Coldingham, Scottish Borders (LB46601) –	Listed at category C
Garrison Theatre, Market Street, Lerwick, Shetland (LB43629)	Listed at category C

The listed building records can be viewed on our [Heritage Portal](#).