



Client: Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust (PPMBT)

Budget: £182,000

Funding Source: Heritage Lottery Fund, Creative Scotland and Dumfries and Galloway Council & more

Completion: September 2017

- Features:
- Bespoke Ship
 - Tree Top Walkway
 - Tube Slide
 - Accessible Platforms
 - Climbing Nets
 - Balance Beam
 - Mast and Sail



Project Background:

The play equipment was part of a larger scheme to convert Mount Brae in Dumfries into a national centre for children's literature. Joanna Lumley a Patron of PPMBT championed the £8 million fundraising campaign, part of which funded the new playground.

Next Steps:

PPMBT wanted the play area to evoke the enchanted land where Peter Pan began. The plans for the pirate ship 'The Jolly Roger' featured a tree-top walkway, tube slide, balance beam, accessible platforms and climbing nets which all link to a ship's hull built over the Burns Walk pathway with a plank-like balcony overlooking the River Nith. Including a storytelling space as well as a mast with sail, a crow's nest, hammock and net tunnelling.

The playspace has been designed to fit within the existing trees, terrain and the retaining structures at the lower level of the garden without impacting on the view from Moat Brae house.

Outcome:

"Moat Brae proves that dreams really can come true. Children and young people from Scotland and far beyond now have a place that's dedicated not just to Peter Pan, but to the love of all children's stories and literature. They can come here to play, daydream and build their creative imaginations, just like J.M. Barrie did." **Joanna Lumley, Patron PPMBT**

"We had such an amazing first visit to Moat Brae, so much to do and see. The kids thoroughly enjoyed it especially outside on the Jolly Rodger!" **Cheryl M, Visitor**