

## Rosefield Mills

Dumfries Historic Buildings Trust | Dumfries | 2017-2018

### PROJECT SUMMARY

Dumfries Historic Buildings Trust (DHBT) commissioned PAS to lead a community engagement programme to support funding applications for Rosefield Mill's purchase, restoration and redevelopment. Three community events and two separate youth workshops engaged over 400 people. 324 people responded to an outline and paper community survey. The Dumfries community articulated a vision for the future of Rosefield Mills as "a place for working, creativity, innovation, recreation, entertainment and heritage".

### WHY WE DID IT

To assist DHBT, its funders, and the Dumfries community in **understanding**, increasing **awareness**, and ensuring the **meaningful future development** of the Rosefield Mills project by demonstrating community needs and aspirations – and by doing so create a community mandate for future change and an enthusiastic and empowered community to make this change a reality.

### OUTCOMES/ ACHIEVEMENTS

- The project united the community (young and old) to help decide the future of an important local historical building and recognised its ability to regenerate Dumfries as a whole
- Widespread [media coverage](#) and active interest from local and national politicians:
- Use of the Place Standard and other tools to generate discussion and interest
- A written report and analysis of the community engagement process and conclusions



"The people of Dumfries have come out in their hundreds to show their support for regenerating the building and turning it into something for the benefit of the whole of Dumfries and beyond."  
Julia Frost, Operations Manager, PAS



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