This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with access needs, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our visitors.

**Access Statement for the Bell Pettigrew Museum**

**Introduction**

Situated in the town of St Andrews, approximately 0.3 miles (0.5 km) from the main centre, the Bell Pettigrew Museum is the University's zoology museum. It is a rare survival of a Victorian teaching museum, and wonderfully atmospheric.

The Bell Pettigrew Museum is situated in St Mary’s Quadrangle, off South Street, in the Bute Building. Access to the museum is through the quadrangle from the main street. After a gentle incline, the terrain is level, with a combination of cobbled stones on entry to the quadrangle, becoming tarmac once inside the quad.

**Facilities:**
- Ground floor exhibition gallery with permanent displays
- 1 accessible parking space at the front of the museum
- Public toilets
- Accessible toilet in building
- Baby change unit can be provided if requested
We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone (01334) 461660 or email museumenquiries@st-andrews.ac.uk.

Pre-Arrival

- Nearest railway station is Leuchars, 10 miles (16km), approximately 20 minutes to St Andrews by car. See [https://www.scotrail.co.uk/plan-your-journey/stations-and-facilities/leu](https://www.scotrail.co.uk/plan-your-journey/stations-and-facilities/leu) for more details of station facilities.

- Taxis are available at the station. If you require an accessible taxi you can book this in advance - 'Town and Country Taxis', t: (01334) 840444, web. [www.townandcountrytaxis.co.uk](http://www.townandcountrytaxis.co.uk)

- There is a regular bus service from Dundee via Leuchars station into St Andrews - Stagecoach route no.99 - low floor access, wheelchair access, Wi-Fi. For more information please see the Stagecoach website - [https://www.stagecoachbus.com/routes/east-scotland/99b/dundee-rail-station-dundee-rail-station/xhao099b.o](https://www.stagecoachbus.com/routes/east-scotland/99b/dundee-rail-station-dundee-rail-station/xhao099b.o)

- All no.99 buses will take you to St Andrews bus station, 0.5 miles (0.8 km) from the Bell Pettigrew Museum. The 99A, 99B and 99D will all take you into the centre of St Andrews - nearest stop to the Bell Pettigrew Museum is on South Street, outside the entrance to St Mary’s Quadrangle, 0.1 miles (0.2 km) from the Bell Pettigrew Museum.

Car Parking and Arrival

- One dedicated accessible parking space at the side of the Bute Building- 17ft from the entrance.

- The parking space can be accessed from Queen’s Terrace, at the rear of the museum. Drivers can access the space via The Long Walk, through a black iron gate. The route is illustrated in the following photographs:
The entrance gate to The Long Walk as seen from Queen’s Terrace

The entrance gate to The Long Walk
The Long Walk leading to accessible parking space

The entrance to the building with accessible parking space in view
Level access from parking space to the entrance – path is tarmac, ramp paved.

Parking space is lit at night by two wall-mounted lights on either side of Door C.

Parking is available on street, on South Street, immediately outside the quadrangle. This operates on a Pay and Display basis. The tariff applies Monday-Saturday 9:00am-5:00pm and Sunday 1:00-5:00pm. The on-street parking charge is waived if a Blue Badge is displayed in the vehicle. South Street is
approximately 0.1 miles from Door C, the entrance to the Bute Building. The quadrangle is accessed through an iron gate, with a clear opening width of 43ins/109cms. This route is illustrated in the following pictures:

View of on-street parking and entrance to St Mary’s Quadrangle from South Street

Gentle slope into the quadrangle from South Street, with cobbled surface
Entrance to quadrangle

Gated entrance to quadrangle
View into quadrangle from the entrance

Terrain of quadrangle showing transition from cobbled stone to tarmac
Route towards the Bute Building from the quadrangle walkway

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Route towards the Bute Building from the quadrangle walkway

Door C, entrance to the Bute Building
The entrance to the Bute Building, Door C, is comprised of double doors. The right-hand door opens with a clear door opening width of 34.5 ins/88cms. This door opens outwards.

The same door is operated by a fire door push bar from inside for exit.
- A ramp is present leading to Door C.
- The width of the ramp is 41 ins/104cms with the angle of the bend 56 ins/142cms.
Main Entrance

- Inside the external door, Door C, is a vestibule, leaving 77.5 ins/197cms between Door C and another set of internal doors. These internal doors open outwards into the vestibule. They have the clear opening width of 32 ins/ 81.5cms for a single door and 64 ins/ 163cms for both doors.
- The vestibule is tiled with an unfixed mat on entry.
Vestibule doors; closed and open

- The floor surface is tiled with a matted area on entry that is not fixed
- The entrance area is lit by ceiling lights.

Entrance Hall

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• Main entrance is on the ground floor.
• The main entrance to the Bell Pettigrew Museum is accessed through another doorway, measuring 38 ins/97cms, opening outwards. This door is left open during opening hours. Signage for the museum is positioned above this doorway.
• The main museum entrance is comprised of another set of double doors, with a door clearance of 33.5ins/85cms for a single door and 67ins/ 170cms combined. These doors open both inwards and outwards.
- Entrance is free of charge to all visitors
- Guide and Assistance dogs are welcome
- No cafe on site

Main doors to Bell Pettigrew Museum; closed and open
Main doors to Bell Pettigrew Museum; open
Attraction (displays, exhibits, etc.)

Ground floor:

- The gallery is located on the ground floor with level access from entrance.
- Flooring is tiled.
- The Bell Pettigrew Museum comprises of one gallery. Access between display cases ranges from 91.5ins/ 232cms horizontally to 73ins/ 185cms vertically.
Views of the Bell Pettigrew Museum
• Between some cases, independently mounted exhibits create an uneven distance between cases. The narrowest of these is pictured above and measures 61ins/155cms.

• Interpretation in the galleries is in the form of printed text panels and labels

• Some text panels and labels are positioned above eye level in the cases. Text panels are available to view online here: https://synergy.st-andrews.ac.uk/bellpet/about/interpretative-panels/.

• We run an active events programme - please see our website for more information - www.st-andrews.ac.uk/musa/whatson
- Seating is available in the museum. Chairs (with accompanying tables) and couches are available within the gallery space, along with seating in the entrance/reception area of the museum and at the rear of the museum.
- The gallery is lit with a combination of ceiling lights as well as lighting inside display cases.
Seating in the Bell Pettigrew Museum

Seating at rear of museum

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Public Toilets

- The nearest public toilets are on the ground floor. These facilities do not include an accessible toilet.
- The largest toilet available in these facilities measures 81.5ins/207cms x 50.5ins/128cms.
- Ground floor toilets are accessed from the rear of the museum. Rear museum double doors open inwards towards the corridor to the rear, with a door clearance of 33.5ins/85cms for a single door and 67ins/170cms combined.

Rear doors out of the museum
- Public toilets are situated down a ramp. This set of double doors has a door clearance of 24ins/61cms for a single door and 48ins/122cms combined. Doors open inwards down the ramp. A hand rail runs alongside this ramp on either side.
- Flooring of ramp is vinyl.
Another set of double doors is situated at the bottom of the ramp, measuring 25ins/63.5cm single door clearance and 49ins/124cms for both combined. Doors open inwards towards public toilets.

- Flooring in foyer between ramp and public toilets is carpeted.
View of open doors at bottom of ramp towards toilets
• Larger toilet, measuring 81.5ins/207cms x 50.5ins/128cms is accessed through Ladies’. Toilet seat height is 17.7ins/45cms from the floor. Doorway clearance of 30ins/76cms.
• Toilet floors are vinyl.
• Toilets are lit by fluorescent lighting. Lights are activated by automatic motion sensor.
Largest toilet nearest the museum
Accessible Toilet

- An accessible toilet is also available in the Bute Building, that staff will be more than happy to assist accessing. It is 65 paces from the museum entrance.
- There may be occasions when swipe access is in operation. Museum staff will be on hand to assist.
- On exiting the main entrance to the Bell Pettigrew Museum, a right turn will bring you to a ramp with vinyl flooring.
- The doorframe entrance to the ramp is 38ins/97cms.
- The ramp width is 43ins/109cms.
• On exiting the ramp, a set of double doors opening outwards with clearance of 23ins/58cms for a single door, 46ins/117cms for double doors.
Doors on exiting ramp
Doorway on exiting ramp

Doorway and ramp as viewed from the other side

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• Through a tiled lobby another set of double doors opening inwards with clearance of 29ins/76cms single, 58ins/147cms for double doors.
Through another tiled lobby, a set of double doors that open inwards with clearance of 30ins/76cms for single, 60ins/152cms for double doors. This lobby is lit with wall lights.
Double doors lead to a corridor with two further sets of double doors. Both sets of doors open outwards, and have clearance of 30ins/76cms single, 60ins/152cms for double doors. The flooring is vinyl and it is lit with strip lights on the ceiling.

Corridor to accessible toilet
Two further sets of double doors leading to accessible toilet
- The accessible toilet is on the right of the corridor after exiting the final set of double doors.
• The door to access the toilet has a clear door width of 36ins/91cms and opens outwards.
- The toilet measures 95ins/241cms by 57ins/145cms.
- Toilet seat height is 18.5ins/47cms from the floor.
- Emergency cord and grab rails are present.
- Flooring is vinyl.
- Lights are fluorescent and activated by motion sensor.
- The tap rotates horizontally.
- There is an automatic hand dryer.

Accessible toilet viewed from entrance
Internal photograph of accessible toilet
Grounds and Gardens

- Benches are available in St Mary’s Quadrangle, where the Bell Pettigrew Museum is situated.
- The walkway through the quadrangle is tarmac, except for cobblestones at entrance as described in this document’s Introduction.
- The walkway in the quadrangle is lit at night by freestanding streetlights and bollard lights.

Additional Information

- Baby change unit can be provided if requested.
- All Visitor Services staff have completed the Visit Scotland Accessibility training module.
- Fire exits are clearly signposted.
- All staff are trained in evacuation procedures.
**Contact Information**

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**Website:** www.st-andrews.ac.uk/museum

**Hours Of Operation:** Visits by prior arrangement; or during public events

**Local Accessible Taxi:**
- Town and Country Taxis: www.townandcountrytaxis.co.uk; (01334) 840444

**Local Public Transport:**
- St Andrews bus station - [https://www.fifedirect.org.uk/atoz/index.cfm?fuseaction=fa
cility.display&facid=DBB6A809-351E-4611-
ACAA5081319AC2A0](https://www.fifedirect.org.uk/atoz/index.cfm?fuseaction=fa
cility.display&facid=DBB6A809-351E-4611-
ACAA5081319AC2A0)
- Leuchars railway station - [https://www.scotrail.co.uk/plan-your-journey/stations-and-facilities/leu](https://www.scotrail.co.uk/plan-your-journey/stations-and-facilities/leu)