



Update on The Work at the Poundland Building

You will be aware that a lot of work has been carried out on the Poundland building over the last few months.

We met with the team from Poundland, along with their Architects to get an update on the situation. They have asked us to pass information onto the local businesses to bring you up to date with plans and progress.

An in-depth survey has been completed and a repair strategy is now being developed. The first phase of the repair works will involve the careful dismantling of the stone gable to the west. This work is due to commence in the coming week and the estimated duration is around two to three weeks. You will note that the cordon around the building has been increased and this is to facilitate a zone for the removal and delivery of materials to the site whilst ensuring a safety barrier for the passing pedestrians and vehicles. The other purpose of this zone is to try and encapsulate any resultant dust from the works.

Poundland are committed to Elgin and are obviously investing substantially in the project to restore one of our key historical buildings. A significant package of works is going to take place at this important site and the result should be a beautiful addition to the city centre. Initial estimates are suggesting it will take 2 to 2 and a half years to complete. We will keep you updated with progress throughout the exciting development.

We will be sending information out to the public later today and hope people will look

positively on the investment and the beautiful building that will be restored for the future of Elgin. There is an intention to use an area of the hoarding to explain the importance and history of the site to encourage people to engage with the project.



Elgin BID Grant Scheme

With the CARS project now successfully complete, Elgin BID has allocated a budget to set up a new small grant scheme for our members. Grants are available for up to a maximum of £400 and must be match funded.

The Grant can be used for a range of uses including those listed below:

- Exterior Signage
- Vegetation Removal
- Replacement of Doors and/or Windows
- Exterior painting
- Upgrading of customer toilets
- Staff Training in Customer Service (Training must be accredited for example WorldHost, in house training will not qualify)

If you would like to know more or would like to apply for the grant, please get in touch and we will send the paperwork to you.

**Many Thanks
Gill & Tina**