



Parkhead Forge was founded in 1837. William Beardmore & Co. Ltd was established in 1886. By 1896 the works were the largest steelworks in Scotland and 20,000 people were employed there at its peak. Parkhead Forge had a brass band, rifle range, swimming club, choir and dramatic society, all run for the benefit of the workers.

The Parkhead Forge closed in 1976.

What is on the site now?

### Stop 2

# CLASCOW Savincs bank

1456 Gallowgate (Category B-Listed)

The Glasgow Savings Bank was founded to encourage the poor to save money. This branch was built in 1908 to a design by the architect John Keppie. Interestingly, some of the drawings were signed by famous Glasgow architect Charles Rennie Mackintosh who worked with Keppie. However, there's no evidence that he actually contributed to the design.



The corner tower at the front of the building has a dome on the top.

What colour is it?

# Stop 3

# PARKELAD AND WESTMUIR ECONOMICAL SOCIETY 64 West Muir

Street

This tenement was built

by Gergaive Section in

1915. It's predecessor was
the Parkhead and
Westmuir Economical
Society. The society
was formed to work for the
common good, and a shop
offered members food at
cost price.

Can you find the crest of the Parkhead and Westmuir Society on the building?

What year was it formed?



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## Stop 4

# PARKEAD LIBRARY

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Completed in 1906, this is one of the 'Carnegie Libraries'. Andrew Carnegie was a Scottish American industrialist who donated £100,000 for the establishment of libraries throughout Glasgow. This one had 8,500 books available to borrow.

There is a sculpture of an angel on top of the building.

What is the angel holding in their hands?

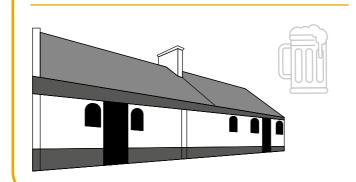


### Stop 5

# FORMERLY THE BOWLER'S REST

This former weaver's cottage is the oldest surviving building in Parkhead and looks a bit out of place amongst the tenements. It has been used as a pub since the early 1800s. It was known as the Bowler's Rest because Parkhead Bowling Green was located to the rear of the property. You could enjoy a drink whilst playing bowls until the 1880s, when local authorities put an end to this practice.

What is this pub called now?



### Stop 6

# PARKHEAD WASHHOUSE

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Before washing machines, laundry had to be done by hand in public washhouses like this one. It was a good opportunity for women to get together and have a gossip, and even inspired a musical play by Tony Roper called 'The Steamie'.



As lots of people didn't have a bathroom in their home, this facility also provided hot baths. Those using the baths had to pay a small charge to cover the use of the facilities, towels and soap.

The city crest can be seen in the central bay at first floor level. Can you make out what the motto says?

### Stop 7

# CELTIC PARK



Celtic Football Club was founded in 1887 by the Irish priest, Brother Walfrid. They moved to their current site in 1892. The new ground proved popular, with one fan saying it was like moving from 'the graveyard to Paradise'. The phrase stuck, with the ground still affectionately called 'Paradise'.

There are several statues outside the stadium.

Who are they of?



