



FORTH PORTS PLC

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Over 400 new jobs for the Waterfront

A new ASDA store is to open this autumn at Western Harbour and will provide a more accessible supermarket for local residents.

The new 4,280 sq metre store has been specifically designed to ensure that it is appropriate for its surroundings with easy access for those visiting the store either by public transport, car, and bike or on foot. It will create up to 430 new full and part time jobs in the area.

As part of Forth Ports' ambition to create a new community at the emerging waterfront, the ASDA development will complement Loch Fyne Restaurant and Italian restaurant specialist, Prezzo who have already moved into the fishmarket buildings at Newhaven harbour.

Lisa Rooke, ASDA's Property Communications Manager for Scotland said: Our proposals for our store in Leith are extremely exciting. The plans have been specifically developed to offer a truly distinctive design that is appropriate for the area.

Nathan Thompson, Managing Director of Forth Ports Property Division said: "This is great news for the Western Harbour area which is undergoing a transformation as part of our waterfront regeneration programme. We're delighted to have ASDA opening a store this autumn which will further reinforce our efforts to build a new community at Western Harbour."

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Notes to Editors

Forth Ports PLC owns and operates the Ports of Grangemouth, Leith, Rosyth, Methil and Burntisland on the River Forth, the Port of Dundee on the River Tay and Port of Tilbury on the River Thames.

Forth Ports PLC is also a significant landowner with extensive property interests and a number of high profile developments. These include the Scottish Executive offices and Ocean Terminal shopping centre – home to the former Royal Yacht Britannia - at Leith, the Western Harbour, Granton Harbour and Leith Docks developments on Edinburgh's waterfront and the City Quay development at Dundee.

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