

Isle of Bute

Scotland's most accessible island, home of the Brandanes, is a wonderful place to live and work.

Bute has a great blend of interesting built heritage, as well as contrasting landscapes and seascapes, with each beach as unique as the next.



Ettrick Bay Photo courtesy of Zak Harrison

There is a good network of routes and quiet roads on Bute giving access to local services and visitor attractions, making it ideal for walking and cycling.



Quiet roads – ideal for walking or cycling Photo courtesy of Zak Harrison

Cycling Tips

Look behind you

Always look behind you before making a manoeuvre, particularly when turning right.

Do not use mobile phones or music systems

You need to be able to hear what is happening around you and be fully concentrated on your actions.

Cycling in numbers

It is recommended that you cycle in single file and never cycle more than two bikes side by side.

Never cycle on the pavement

Unless it is a designated cycle lane, shared route or core path it is against the law to cycle on the pavement, you should walk alongside your bike.



Beautiful beach at Kerrycroy Photo courtesy of Zak Harrison

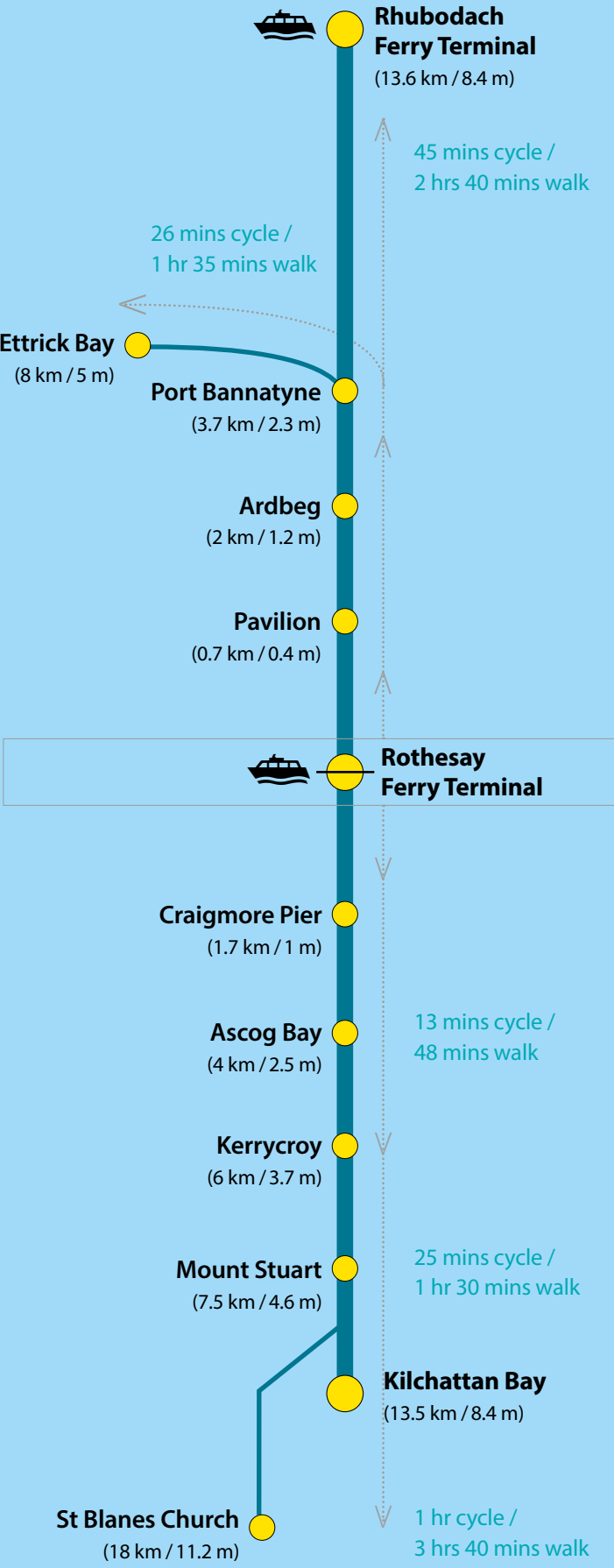


Scenic routes and paths to explore Photo courtesy of Zak Harrison

Estimated leisurely travel times

Walking times calculated at a steady pace of 5 km per hour (approximately 3 miles per hour).

Cycling times calculated at a steady pace of 18km per hour (approximately 11 miles per hour).



Port Bannatyne Marina Photo courtesy of Zak Harrison

walking and cycling

on the Isle of Bute



Mount Stuart, home of the Marquess of Bute Photo courtesy of Zak Harrison



Rhodesay Castle Photo courtesy of Zak Harrison

Why Active Travel?

With 33.9% of car journeys in Scotland being less than 2 miles in length, there are huge potential benefits in promoting walking and cycling as alternative means of transport.

If more people walk or cycle, we can:

- ✓ Ease congestion
- ✓ Reduce noise pollution
- ✓ Cut exhaust emissions
- ✓ Improve our health

Active travel is also a great way to relax, giving us more time to enjoy our environment and improve our work-life balance.

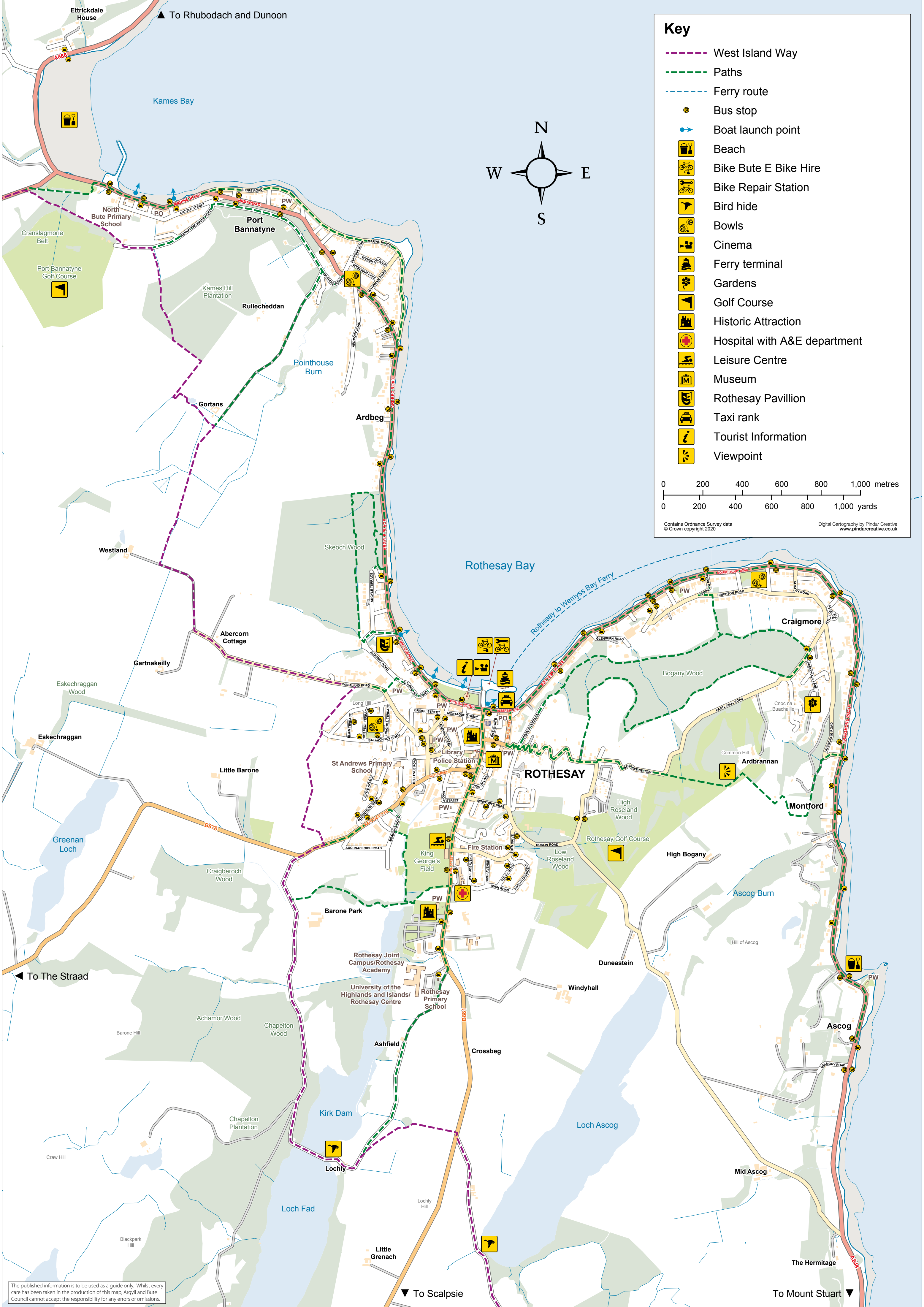
Argyll & Bute Council, Transport Scotland, Sustrans, Paths for All, Cycling Scotland and Cycling UK continue to work towards improving the walking and cycling environment in the Isle of Bute area.

We hope this map will encourage visitors and residents to make the most of cycling and walking in and around the Isle of Bute.

Web Links

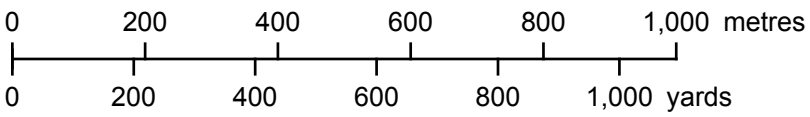
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- West Island Way
- Paths
- Ferry route
- Bus stop
- Boat launch point
- Beach
- Bike Bute E Bike Hire
- Bike Repair Station
- Bird hide
- Bowls
- Cinema
- Ferry terminal
- Gardens
- Golf Course
- Historic Attraction
- Hospital with A&E department
- Leisure Centre
- Museum
- Rothesay Pavillion
- Taxi rank
- Tourist Information
- Viewpoint



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