



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 guests/visitors.

## **Access Statement for An Lanntair**

### **Introduction**

At the heart of Stornoway is An Lanntair. An Lanntair is a multi arts venue – at one and the same time a contemporary art gallery, a theatre, a cinema, a dance studio, a concert hall, a platform for poetry and literature, a studio – every space is stretched to showcase the arts in multiple forms. Encompassing it all, the organisation prides itself in presenting an inspirational programme of excellence that engages and illuminates its audiences. Its work stretches across a national and indeed international platform, yet its distinctiveness lies in being ‘of the place’, rooted in the creativity of Gaelic and the Outer Hebrides. The facility includes a 220 seat auditorium, gallery space, office space, shop, bar and restaurant facilities. The building was one of the largest ever arts developments in the Highlands and Islands and is of key strategic importance nationally for the arts and culture of the Outer Hebrides.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01851 708480 or email [info@lanntair.com](mailto:info@lanntair.com)

### **Pre-Arrival**

- An Lanntair is in the centre of Stornoway near the bus station (1 minutes walk) and the ferry terminal (2 minutes walk).
- The entrance is on the corner of Kenneth Street and Francis Street, look for the courtyard opposite Martins Memorial Church.
- On South Beach look for the distinctive round tower on the corner opposite the bus station which represents a lantern. An Lanntair means Lantern in Gaelic and the corner tower makes the building easy to find.
- The courtyard has been specially designed for An Lanntair and contains an outdoor artwork, a halo of light by Belgian glass-artist Inge Panneels.

### **Car Parking and Arrival**

- Two minutes away - the nearest parking is at the South Beach car park beside the bus station. This is a free car park ideal for evening parking; during the day it often busy.
- Three minutes away - Percival Square car park, off Cromwell Street in the centre of Stornoway. This car park is free, but between 9-6 on weekdays there is a two-hour time limit in this car park. Discs for display are available in the car park and nearby shops.
- Four minutes away is the Harbour car park, at the end of South Beach. This car park is free and is good for day-time parking.
- Disabled parking – Francis Street is accessible to disabled drivers and disabled parking is allowed on \* Disabled dropping-off space – there is a disabled dropping off space at the main entrance on the courtyard on the corner of Kenneth and Francis Street.

### **Main Entrance, Reception and Ticketing Area**

- The reception is located in the foyer to help you enjoy your visit to An Lanntair. Our friendly staff are here to provide information on all activities in the centre.
- At reception we accept cash, cheque, Mastercard, Visa, Switch and Delta cards via signature or chip & pin payment.

### **Attraction (displays, exhibits, rides etc.)**

- The main gallery hosts local and touring exhibitions to stimulate, challenge and inspire.
- There are other exhibition spaces throughout the building, including display space in the foyer, in the café bar and on the office walkway.
- Each year An Lanntair will display up to 6 major exhibitions in the main gallery as well as having other smaller exhibitions around the building.
- The auditorium is an impressive multi purpose space which can host a wide variety of events and live performances, including, theatre, cinema, concerts and conferences.
- It has bleacher seating which can be removed to provide a dance floor space.
- It also features unique removable walls which allow the venue to transform into an exciting open-plan space which includes the café/bar.
- The multi-purpose auditorium brings you a comfortable and enjoyable cinema experience. There are up to nine showings most weeks and wherever possible

films will be shown on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays (cinema nights will be changed when there are live events on).

- There is a dedicated workshop space at An Lanntair which hosts a wide range of workshops and activities for all ages and skill levels.
- Community Room: This space seats 15 comfortably and therefore is suitable for smaller meetings, entertaining, workshops, presentations or seminars. Internet access and catering can be provided.
- Auditorium: An Lanntair is able to cater for outside events, conferences and meetings when the auditorium is not in use by the organisation. As this is a particularly busy space, booking well in advance is recommended. The space can accommodate up to 220 people in a variety of configurations, has removable raked seating, and features a unique system which lifts the walls to the bar and restaurant, transforming the venue into an exciting space for larger events. Full technical support is available.

### **Public Toilets**

- Public toilets are located on the ground floor, first floor and second floor with level access from the main entrance, bar/café areas.

### **Catering**

- The An Lanntair Café Bar is on the first floor and is a great place to unwind and relax with friends and family whether that's enjoying a delicious Artisan, fresh roasted Coffee handcrafted to your taste from our espresso bar or sampling one of our Chefs daily specials created using great local produce from the Islands.

### **Shop(s)**

- The An Lanntair shop can be found on the ground floor at the entrance to An Lanntair.
- If you are looking for that special gift, piece of jewellery, card or book, something unique and unusual, then try An Lanntair's shop. It also stocks and promotes the best of Scottish and Hebridean gifts, crafts and art works.
- The shop specialises in unusual and bespoke jewellery that will delight and we constantly seek out new designs to please and inspire.
- There is also an area which displays local crafts. This area will be run in association with local craft makers to give an insight into local craft.
- For enquiries about the shop email [catherine@lanntair.com](mailto:catherine@lanntair.com)

- **Product Range:** The shop offers a unique choice of gifts. Local arts and craft, hand made cards and bespoke jewellery are all-available. The gift shop also offers a wide range of books and CDs including a fun range of children's books. A new listening facility is also available so that you can hear the range of traditional and world music on offer before buying. The shop offers you a friendly shopping experience with beautiful gifts to choose from.
- For an unusual or difficult to buy gift, buy an An Lanntair Gift Voucher. These can be redeemed on anything in the venue including shop goods, events and cinema tickets and any food and drink from An Lanntair's Bar & Kitchen. They are available in a range of prices to suit your pocket and any occasion.

### **Additional Information**

- An Lanntair is a fully accessible venue and has the following disabled facilities:
- Facilities include level access to all public areas (box office, certain area of the auditorium, shop, gallery, bar and restaurant), ramps where required, lifts, disabled toilets, induction loops and disabled seating in auditorium.
- Please call us on 01851 703 307 or email [info@lanntair.com](mailto:info@lanntair.com) if you have any queries or special requirements and we will make every effort to ensure that you can access all facilities at An Lanntair.
- All our staff receive regular training, including on disability awareness.
- We are also a dementia friendly community.
- We have a set of evacuation procedures – should you require it someone will assist you with evacuation either out of the building or to a refuge. We have safe lifts and evacuation chairs to assist.
- We welcome trained assistance dogs. A water bowl is available at the main entrance/exit for assistance dogs.
- All our information brochures, evacuation procedures etc. are available in large print.
- We have a defibrillator on site and a number of our staff are fully trained in its use.

### **Contact Information**

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Hours Of Operation: 10am - late