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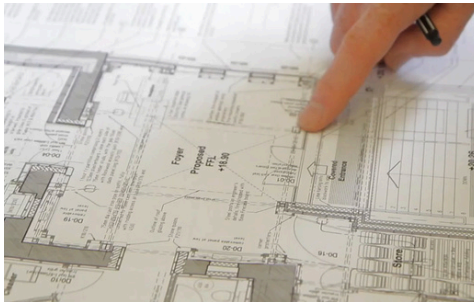
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WELCOME TO ADAM SMITH'S PANMURE HOUSE: THE FUTURE OF ENLIGHTENMENT THINKING

Learn about its distinguished past, present and future during this self-guided tour of Adam Smith's final remaining home.



Panmure House is the final remaining home of Adam Smith, philosopher and 'father of modern economics'.

Built in 1691, Smith occupied the House between 1778-1790, during which time he completed the final editions of his masterworks: *The Theory of Moral Sentiments* (1759) and *An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations* (1776). Other great luminaries and thinkers of the Scottish Enlightenment visited Smith regularly, transforming the House into a vibrant meeting place for the finest minds of an extraordinary generation of Enlightenment thinkers, coming together to dine and engage in debate about the most pressing issues of the time.

In 2008, Edinburgh Business School and Heriot-Watt University rescued this outstanding piece of Scottish heritage from dereliction, investing 10 years and £5.6m in its restoration. Panmure was formally opened in November 2018.



TOUR INFORMATION

Built in 1691, the name of the House is derived from its time as the town seat of the Earls of Panmure. Its most famous resident, however, was Adam Smith, who occupied the House from 1778 until his death in 1790.

Ground Floor – Interpretation Suite

Interactive, interpretative display panels take you on a chronological journey through Smith's life and works.

Not usually on display, catch a glimpse of a 1st edition of *The Wealth of Nations*.



Our stunning pencheck staircase guides you into the upper levels of the House. Take note of the artwork on the upper floors, all relevant to Smith's life.

[Scan the QR for the artwork catalogue.](#)

First Floor – Reading Room

Smith hosted many Oyster Club meetings and dinners in this room with fellow Scottish Enlightenment thinkers, and today the room is home to the restored Smith Library. Scan the QR code in the Library to learn more.

Heritage at Risk: Revive, Resist, Reimagine

Our first floor Reading Room features a visual display exploring Panmure's rich history and evolving timeline, inviting visitors to discover and reflect on Panmure's past, present and future.

If the weather permits, walk through what would have been Smith's front door on the Upper Courtyard.

Second Floor – Lecture Room

Originally Smith's Drawing Room, used as a space for writing and study, it is now beautifully restored with tulipwood panelling, 18th century shutters and period light fittings. A portrait of Margaret Douglas pays tribute to Smith's mother who resided alongside her son and worshipped in the nearby Canongate Kirk.

Watch snippets of our Addyman Archaeology lecture for a fascinating insight into Panmure's restoration Project.

Nearby

Canongate Kirk is located beside the House just off the Royal Mile. Here, you can visit Adam Smith's grave. Brass plaques on the floor in the Kirkyard will guide you there.