

Hello
We Are
Maritime
Belfast
Trust

A graphic element of the Maritime Belfast logo, consisting of a white square with a pattern of white dots of varying sizes, arranged in a grid that tapers to the right.

MARITIME
BELFAST

Preserving and promoting Belfast's rich maritime heritage



Maritime Belfast Trust was established to preserve and promote Belfast's Maritime heritage, the charity owns a number of assets, including the iconic Titanic Belfast visitor attraction, SS Nomadic and the Great Light. Whilst our commitment and responsibility for these iconic maritime assets remains unchanged, our ambition is for a world class waterfront for the city and its people.



OUR AIM

To deliver Belfast's waterfront as a vibrant, accessible heritage destination.

OUR MISSION

We preserve and promote Belfast's rich maritime heritage for the enjoyment of current and future generations and in doing so contribute to sustainable social and economic development.





OUR THEMES

Influence

Influencing the vision for Belfast's iconic waterfront by supporting critical partners such as Belfast Harbour, Belfast City Council and Titanic Quarter Limited to fulfill a collective and shared ambition.

Connect

Connecting everyone to the maritime beginnings of the city, specifically neighbourhood communities.

Energise

Energising the waterfront through music, festivals and events.



OUR VALUES

Care

Caring about people, heritage and the environment.

Collaborate

An honest broker, working with all the actors and players, big and small.

Confidence

Positive and confident about the future, willing to take risks.

Enrich

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Thrive

Thriving as a charity and a sustainable cultural destination – helping local businesses, visitor attractions and venues to build back better in a post-Covid environment.

Ident

Identifying and optimistic the future, take risks.

Creative

Innovative and pioneering, open to new ideas.

Sustainability

Contribute to sustainable social, economic and environmental development.



OUR PROJECTS AND ENGAGEMENT



Titanic Belfast

Completed in 2012, the iconic visitor attraction has welcomed over 7.5 million visitors from 145 countries and contributed more than £430 million* to the local economy.



SS Nomadic

The largest RMS Titanic artefact in the world, the SS Nomadic has attracted nearly 2 million visitors since restoration work was completed in 2013.



H&W Drawing Offices

Now restored and transformed into Titanic Hotel Belfast, the stunning drawing offices showcase Harland & Wolff's skill and craftsmanship.



Artefacts

We've built up a collection of hundreds of artefacts donated by former shipyard employees and the local community that is displayed in a free Out of Stores exhibition.



Great Light

One of the largest lighthouse optics ever constructed, the Great Light is over 130 years old and now illuminates the Titanic Walkway.



SoundYard

A playful art installation inspired by the sounds of Belfast's shipyards. It is located on Queen's Quay close to the Odyssey and Abercorn Marina.



RiverBox

A unique cultural venue and multi-purpose art installation. Equipped with cutting edge video and audio technology, RiverBox hosts media installations, interactive projects, and events.



Local Engagement

Through our destination work, we've engaged with over 510,000 people from 400 community groups and schools and supported and worked with 145 partner organisations and businesses.



WHERE BELFAST BEGINS

MARITIME BELFAST STORY

Story Plan

The history of Belfast's waterfront is not one story but many stories, from the smallest beginnings to the greatest endeavours. These stories are not consigned to the past but are still alive in maritime Belfast which is why we developed the Maritime Belfast Story Plan.

The Plan identifies key themes, supported by storylines and maps highlighting the relevant heritage sites. Some of the heritage is tangible but much has disappeared. Maritime Belfast is committed to preserving what is left and where it has disappeared, we look at opportunities to restore the heritage through innovative interpretation and design.

"Until you've walked the whole of it, you won't know the half of it. And by the time you reach the end the beginning will have begun again to change."

[Glenn Patterson](#)



Maritime Mile

Key to Maritime Belfast Trust's vision is the delivery of the Maritime Mile. An exciting Blueway for the city, representing one navigational mile of water and 10 kilometres of accessible, connected waterfront.

Connecting Sailortown to Titanic Quarter, City Centre to Harbour, neighbourhoods to waterfront, the award winning Maritime Mile is a place where local people and visitors can walk, cycle, run and play in the footsteps of giants as they explore Belfast's historic, iconic waterfront, an outdoor museum of Titanic proportions.



www.maritime-mile.com



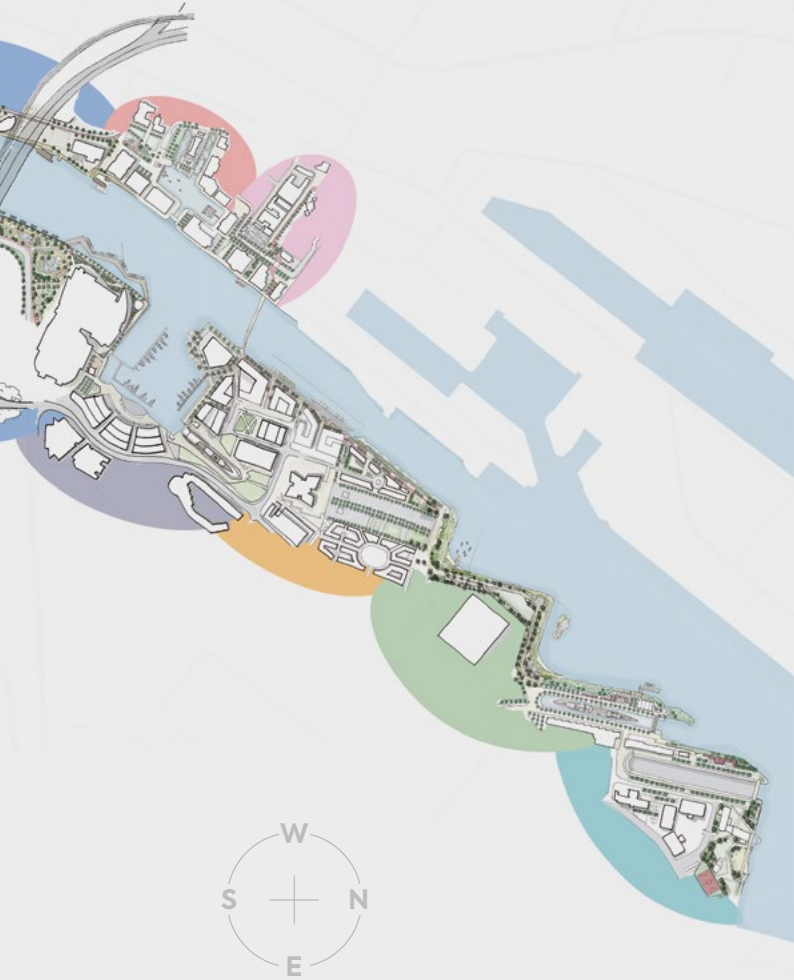
Waterfront Promenade Framework

Working with key landowners and stakeholders along the waterfront and Copenhagen architects Schulze + Grasso, we have established the **Waterfront Task Group** to create a framework for future developments along the water's edge: Embracing the Belfast Waterfront.

The Waterfront Promenade project is an important opportunity to encourage and harmonise new sustainable development on the waterfront. The promenade will

create a high-quality environment for existing communities, new residential and commercial development, and will serve as a major visitor gateway.

The framework details our ambition for a Belfast waterfront that is greater than the sum of its parts, includes a toolkit of interventions and a number of key projects. By balancing community, nature and development, a **world class waterfront** will emerge over time.





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The Maritime Belfast Trust looks forward to working with everyone to help deliver, protect and promote Belfast's magnificent maritime heritage.

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