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Representing more than 400 businesses and organisations, Peterborough Positive - the city's Business Improvement District (BID) - is focused on delivering an ambitious business plan to transform the city centre. Its aim is to improve experiences, standards and add value for all city users. Leading on innovative projects and providing key investment, it aims to make the city centre a cleaner, safer and more welcoming place, raising its profile with new and diverse events and exciting marketing campaigns.



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PETERBOROUGH City Centre Map



1 Cathedral

Peterborough Cathedral is one of the finest Norman cathedrals in Europe. It is the burial place of two Tudor queens, with its stunning architecture and medieval artwork.



2 Antony Gormley Sculptures

Antony Gormley's Places to Be, (three life-sized lead body cases) can be found in Cathedral Square, placed on the rooftops of Queensgate Shopping Centre, Leeds Building Society and Yorkshire Building Society.



3 Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery

Located in one of the city's most historic buildings, Peterborough Museum has a wealth of stories, the collections comprise over 200,000 items of great national and international importance.



4 Peterborough Lido

A fantastic Art Deco outdoor swimming complex just a few minutes' walk from the city centre, opened in 1936, is one of the few survivors of early 20th century outdoor pools.



5 Guildhall

The Guildhall was built by John Lovin in 1670-71 in celebration of the restoration of Charles II. It stands on, or close to, the site of a covered "Butter Cross" which was the site of the dairy market.



6 Peterborough Town Hall

A municipal building in Bridge Street built to replace the Guildhall. The foundation stone for the new building was laid by Prince George in June 1929, it opened in October 1933.



7 St John the Baptist Church

A Grade I listed Church, close to the cathedral. The original 11th century parish church was some distance to the east of the current location. When the centre of Peterborough moved west, the church was relocated stone by stone. Construction of the current church began in 1402.



8 The Old Customs House

The Old Customs House on the bank of the River Nene, was built in 1790. A Grade II listed building, previously used as a toll house for goods transported by river. It now serves as the headquarters of the city's Sea Cadets.



Welcome to Peterborough...

Sitting beside the River Nene, Peterborough can evidence human settlement in the area that began before the Bronze Age, as can be seen at Flag Fen Archaeological Park to the east of the city centre.

The Anglo-Saxon period saw the establishment of a monastery, which later became Peterborough Cathedral. Two queens have been buried in the cathedral. Katharine of Aragon, who was buried in the cathedral in 1536, is celebrated each year with the Katharine of Aragon Festival. Mary, Queen of Scots was also buried there in 1587, five months after her execution. In 1612, her son James VI of Scotland (James I of England) had her body moved to Westminster Abbey.

The gated entrance to the cathedral, known as the King's Chambers, has its own stories to tell. Many visiting monarchs stayed there including King Charles I when he was captured during the English Civil War in the 1600's before he was tried and executed.

In 1845, the railways arrived in Peterborough. They propelled the city from rural obscurity to a thriving bustling hub and a centre for industry, bringing people from all over the world to work in the city. Surrounded by beautiful natural landscape a stone's throw away, such as John Clare countryside and Nene Park, Peterborough is the perfect place to visit and explore.

Blue Plaques in and around Peterborough city centre

These Peterborough Civic Society blue plaques commemorate people and places in Peterborough city centre and beyond. For more information about the history associated with each plaque please visit: peterboroughcivicsociety.org.uk

- 1 The King's School
- 2 John and Annie Sage
- 3 Marjorie Pollard
- 4 Great Barn
- 5 Daphne Jackson
- 6 John Thompson Jnr.
- 7 Theatre Royal
- 8 Embassy Theatre
- 9 Public Library
- 10 Peterborough County Court
- 11 Thomas James Walker
- 12 Shopping Arcade
- 13 Parish Burial Ground
- 14 Deacon's School
- 15 Cumbergate
- 16 Memorial Hospital
- 17 Arthur James Robertson
- 18 John Addy
- 19 The Guildhall
- 20 WW1 Recruitment Office
- 21 Abbot's Gaol and King's Lodging
- 22 St Thomas Becket
- 23 Simon Gunton
- 24 Almoner's Hall
- 25 John Fletcher
- 26 Laurel Court/Edith Cavell
- 27 Lido
- 28 Town Hall
- 29 Angel Inn
- 30 Thomas Hake
- 31 Peterborough Museum
- 32 The Customs House
- 33 Town Bridge
- 34 East Station
- 35 Engine Shed

For Blue Plaque locations see the map overleaf.