



## Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust Spotlight - £30,000 Awarded September 2015



During its first year of operation, ANCBC granted £30,000 to support the Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust which had been developing ambitious plans for the house that was the inspiration behind JM Barrie's Peter Pan, one of fiction's most enduring characters.

Now complete and fully restored, 200 invited guests and funders attended the opening on 1<sup>st</sup> June, where Scottish Government Cabinet Secretary for Culture and Tourism Fiona Hyslop MSP, and Patron Joanna Lumley declared Scotland's new National Centre for Storytelling and Children's Literature open.

Absolutely fabulous!" is how Joanna Lumley described the centre, which cost £8 million to complete.

The project was one of the first funded by ANCBC, and the award contributed to the new extensions to the house; a Visitor Entrance on the west of the house including the shop, café, kitchens, reception and cloakrooms; and the Education and Learning Pavilion to the east of the house.

Martin Brown, Chairman of ANCBC, who attended the opening, said, "I'm delighted to see the beautifully restored house and garden are now dedicated to children and the development of imagination - and all who will never grow up!"

Cathy Agnew, who led the project said, "The ANCBC grant was a crucial part of the total sum required to make the project fully funded and to allow a start to be made on the detailed design and tender stages."

