

## East Lothian Council

**FOI Ref: 2018/070(13148)**

***Under the Freedom of Information Act I would like to request how many statues and memorials of women there are in your area.***

East Lothian Council (ELC) has no record of any statues or memorials of women in East Lothian at this time. In view of this, under Section 17(1)(b) of the Act, I must formally advise you that ELC has been unable to comply with your request as the information you require is not held.

***Also, are there any future plans to commemorate women from or with a connection to East Lothian?***

Any new commemoration proposals regarding statues would be subject to the planning process. A link to the planning pages of ELC's website is provided for your reference: [http://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/info/200192/planning\\_online](http://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/info/200192/planning_online)

Colleagues in ELC's [John Gray Centre](#) have also provided details of forthcoming events which may be of interest to you:

- Saturday 3 Mar 2018, 11:45 to 14:30, Star Room, John Gray Centre  
An event that explores the life of Mary, Queen of Scots. (To celebrate International Women's Day and to launch the Scotland Film Season at the John Gray Centre.)
- Hats off to History, Sunday 20 May 2018, 1.30pm to 4pm, Star Room and Museum, John Gray Centre is an exploration of hats and hat making. It will include a visit to particular displays in the John Gray Centre Museum that explore links between Mary Queen of Scots and members of the Seton Family of East Lothian including Marie Seton 1541- 1615.
- Exhibition - Saturday 6 October 2018 to Tuesday 20 November 2018, John Gray Centre, Haddington there will be an exhibition of watercolours by a local artist, Dorothea Nimmo Smith who was born in Haddington in 1889. An amateur artist, she painted scenes in and around Haddington.