



Travel Advice

Arrival

The Conference venue is the Field Studies Centre at Millport on the Island of Great Cumbrae.

On Sunday and Monday, the last ferry to Cumbrae departs from Largs at 20:15 hrs - see <https://www.calmac.co.uk/largs-cumbraeslip-cumbrae-ferry-summer-timetable>. Delegates are asked to take account of this in planning their travel arrangements.

The nearest airport is Glasgow International Airport (GLA). There are direct flights from a wide variety of cities. Connecting flights from hubs at London Heathrow (LHR) and Amsterdam (AMS) may be particularly useful.

To catch the last ferry connection, delegates are advised to arrive at Glasgow Airport before 17:00 hrs, and preferably by 16:00 hrs. It is anticipated that many delegates will arrive on the 16:05 hrs flight from Amsterdam.

**** On both Sunday and Monday, a coach transfer for PEDS delegates will leave Glasgow Airport at 18:30 hrs ****

Alternatively, there are several public transport options.

The nearest rail station to Glasgow Airport is Paisley Gilmour Street.

- Bus to Paisley Gilmour Street railway station and connected by the [McGill's 757 bus service](#) (this can take about 30 minutes). The bus stand is outside the main terminal – check at the information desk. Tickets (cash only) are available from the driver. A combined bus + rail ticket to Largs is available from a ticket machine (card payment only) at the information desk inside the airport terminal. A single journey combined ticket to Largs (via Paisley Gilmour Street Station) is currently £7.30.
- Train to Largs (every hour – takes approx. 45 mins). **Last connecting with ferry departs Paisley Gilmour Street railway station at 18:50 hrs.** More information and tickets can be purchased online at <https://www.scotrail.co.uk/>. A single ticket purchased from Paisley Gilmour Street to Largs is currently £7.30 (cash or card payment).
- Ferry to Cumbrae (every 30 minutes – takes 8 minutes). **Last ferry departs Largs at 20:15 hrs.** To the left of the slipway there is a small ferry office where you can buy a return ticket (currently £3.30; cash or card payment). Then board the ferry (on the return journey no tickets are collected, so you only need a ticket to get to the island). More information can be found at <https://www.calmac.co.uk/largs-cumbraeslip-cumbrae-ferry-summer-timetable>.
- Bus to Conference venue (connects with ferry - takes 5 minutes) A single journey to the conference venue currently costs £2.00. Available from driver (cash payment)

Alternatively

- Taxi to Paisley Gilmour Street railway station (takes 10 minutes). Book online [here](#) or email taxis@glasgowairport.com. These taxis have chip-and-pin terminals on-board to enable paying by credit/debit card. There is a surcharge for this facility.
- Train to Largs (every hour – takes approx. 45 mins). **Last connecting with ferry departs Paisley Gilmour Street railway station at 18:50 hrs.** More information and tickets can be purchased online at <https://www.scotrail.co.uk/>
- Ferry to Cumbrae (every 30 minutes – takes 8 minutes). **Last ferry departs Largs at 20:15 hrs.** More information can be found at <https://www.calmac.co.uk/largs-cumbraeslip-cumbrae-ferry-summer-timetable>
- Bus to Conference venue (connects with ferry - takes 5 minutes).

Alternatively

- Taxi to Largs pier (allow 60 minutes travel time). Book online [here](#) or email taxis@glasgowairport.com. These taxis have chip-and-pin terminals on-board to enable paying by credit/debit card. There is a surcharge for this facility.
- Ferry to Cumbrae (every 30 minutes – takes 8 minutes). **Last ferry departs Largs at 20:15 hrs.** More information can be found at <https://www.calmac.co.uk/largs-cumbraeslip-cumbrae-ferry-summer-timetable>
- Bus to Conference venue (connects with ferry - takes 5 minutes)

Delegates arriving by car

- Take the M8 motorway southwest from Glasgow, turning onto the A737 at Glasgow Airport. The A760 then takes you directly to Largs.
- The Millport conference venue postcode for those using sat. nav. is **KA28 0EG**.
- You can choose to leave your car on the mainland at Largs, in the car park on the main promenade next to the ferry port (a postcode for those using sat. nav. to this location is **KA30 8LZ**).
- The return cost for taking your car onto the island is currently £12.60. Delegates staying for 4 or 5 days are advised to bring your car to the conference venue.

Departure

On Friday 20th April, leave Cumbrae on the ferry at 13:30 hrs.

**** A coach transfer to Glasgow Airport will leave Largs at 13.45 hrs ****

Arrival at Glasgow Airport approximately 14:45 hrs.

Delegates are asked to take account of this in planning their return travel arrangements – outbound flights from approximately 17:00 hrs should be suitable. It is likely that many delegates will wish to use the 16:55 hrs flight to Amsterdam.

Alternatively, there are public transport options:

- Leave Cumbrae on ferry at 13:30 hrs
- Leave Largs by train 13:53 hrs
- Arrive Paisley Gilmour Street station at 14:42 hrs
- Bus from Paisley Gilmour Street to Glasgow Airport
- Arrive Glasgow Airport approx. 15:10 hrs

Alternatively

- Leave Cumbrae on ferry at 13:30 hrs
- Taxi to Glasgow Airport (arrive approx. 14:40 hrs)