

# TURRIFF

**TURRIFF** is a town and civil parish set in the heart of Aberdeenshire, Scotland. It lies on the River Deveron and has a population of approx. 5500. In everyday speech, it is often referred to as 'Turra' - a derivative of the Scottish Gaelic pronunciation.

Turriff High Street/Main Street converge into one another at the town's focal point 'Coo Corner' famous for the bronze sculpture of the 'Turra Coo' (Turriff Cow). The Turra Coo was a white Ayrshire-Shorthorn cross dairy cow owned by Robert Paterson of Lendrum, Turriff. In 1913, Mr Paterson protested against the government over taxes and national insurance and supported by the local community took the 'Coo' to London.

Throughout the season, the street is a ribbon of colour with hanging baskets and floral displays giving delight to residents and visitors alike. In total some 250 baskets and tubs are planted up by volunteers and displayed around the town. The 'Mercat Cross' at the top of High Street is a blaze of colour which extends down High Street, past the Municipal Building (now a community owned museum) which at one time was the local Court and Council Chambers. The High Street has many red sandstone buildings, which date back to the 1700's then onto Coo Corner. The 'Coo' sculpture was a community led project and is very much a part of the history of the town. Here we have floral displays to compliment the structure, then it meanders into Main Street, again a riot of colour, culminating in the Square at the top of Main Street where the town's Timeline is displayed.

Turriff 's High Street/Main Street is very lucky to host a vibrant, unique shopping experience, a wonderful heritage and a high standard of care and cleanliness that reflects the pride we have in our town.

