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UNION SQUARE ART PUT TO PUBLIC VOTE

The public can now vote for the items they think should become part of Union Square's public art.

Since the beginning of June, local artists Gudrun Bombosch and Iain Gildea have been touring Aberdeen City and Shire, speaking to local communities and collecting items from the public which, to them best, reflects their hometown and memories.

After a busy summer of events, pictures of the 36 suggested items are now up on the Union Square website and ready to be put to the public vote. There is a real eclectic mix of items, from a piece of Granite, to a replica seagull and an Aberdeen FC scarf.

The public are invited to vote from today (Friday 14th August) until Friday 28th August. The most popular 14 items will then be cast into the 'U be part of the art' resin blocks and become a permanent feature in Union Square come autumn.

Penny Godfrey, marketing manager for Hammerson's Union Square said:

"After a busy summer tour, it's now time for the public to have their say on this piece of public art.

We've had a great response to date and we're hoping to encourage even more people to visit the website. The items will be online for voting for one week only, so get voting now!"

To vote, visit: www.unionsquareaberdeen.com/vote

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Union Square

Union Square is a £275 million mixed use, regeneration scheme creating a new retail and leisure quarter for Aberdeen. Developed by Hammerson, the scheme includes 56 retail units, comprising a range of national and international brands, up to 12 restaurants and cafés, a 203 bed hotel and 10 screen multiplex, set to be Aberdeen's largest cinema. The scheme will also provide visitors with a new civic square. Union Square will be Aberdeen's most accessible retail and leisure offer with 1,700 car parking spaces, easily reached from all major routes and integrated with the city's bus and rail stations - providing a gateway to the region and encouraging sustainable travel to the city.

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Hammerson plc

Hammerson plc is a FTSE-100 Real Estate Investment Trust which operates principally in the retail sector in the UK and France. Its £4.7 billion portfolio, which provides 1.3 million m² of retail space and 255,000 m² of offices, includes 14 major shopping centres and 19 retail parks.

Hammerson has a track record of successfully delivering major city centre regeneration projects. Award-winning developments include Bishops Square in London and Bullring in Birmingham. In September 2008 the Company opened three major retail-led developments: Highcross, Leicester; Cabot Circus, Bristol and an extension to Parinor, an existing centre in Paris. This autumn, Hammerson will open its latest retail-led regeneration scheme, Union Square in Aberdeen.

The Company is currently working with several councils across the UK to deliver retail-led mixed-use projects in cities including Leeds, Southampton and Sheffield.

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