

## Common Purpose Quests in 2012

Further locations and topics to be confirmed.

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Quest Location	Date	Quest Topic
Manchester	26 January	<p><b><i>Manchester – a certain future?</i></b>            Explore how Manchester works with some of the world's biggest cities to reduce urban carbon emissions and adapt to climate change. Manchester's 'A Certain Future' plan looks at how the city will reduce carbon emissions over the next decade. The Leader of Manchester City Council, Sir Richard Leese said: "As a city, we intend to take a lead role in tackling the challenges which climate change presents, both on the international stage as well as locally". Sir Richard will be joining us a keynote speaker at this event.</p>
London	24 February	<p><b><i>London 2012: The Olympic Legacy</i></b>            What are the prospects are for a significant Olympic legacy and what can other cities learn about regeneration from the London experience? The London Quest will be an opportunity to consider the broader legacy issues and to explore the experiences and perspectives of local stakeholders in East London. Hear from key figures in the Olympic project, visit a range of stakeholders in their organisations in the 'Host Boroughs' and view the Olympic Park site.</p>
Budapest	23 March	<p><b><i>(The challenges of change management – Hungary and it's EU membership)</i></b>            Hungary joined the European Union 7 years ago. While EU membership has opened a lot of doors to economic, social and cultural opportunities, the structural framework and regulations connected to the membership has brought along a series of complex challenges that require fundamental changes to the way things have been managed in the country. Leading and coordinating these complex changes is an enormous leadership challenge – explore this challenge on our Quest to Budapest.</p>
Belfast	29 March	<p><b><i>A city in transition</i></b>            Belfast is currently described by many as 'city in transition.' We have come through over 30 years of the troubles to a point where political institutions are endeavouring to work with the</p>

		<p>public, private and not for profit sectors to carve out a shared future in a mandatory coalition government. This has its challenges. Since peace was established the city has undergone extensive regeneration and refurbishment and has been tipped as 'a must see destination' by The Lonely Planet Guide. In the past couple of years it has seen the opening of the refurbished Ulster Museum, Ulster Hall, City Hall and the rise of The Titanic Quarter. But what are the plans for Belfast now? What is the plan for what many consider still to be a divided society, scarred by its past but proud of its potential?</p>
<b>Birmingham</b>	<b>16 May</b>	<p><b>Birmingham – A multi-cultural city</b>          Today it is still predicted that Birmingham will be the first non-white UK majority city, although this is disputed by Leicester! During the day we will be exploring the idea of multi-culturalism and what it means for Birmingham and its communities, considering how Birmingham tackles issues around community cohesion within a culturally diverse city, asking what the issues are for new communities in the city and what the implications are for the future, and asking what others can learn from Birmingham's history and experience.</p>
<b>Devon</b>	<b>19 June</b>	<p><b>"Food and Farming"</b>          On this day we will primarily be looking at the food industry from the angles of the producer and processor. What are the pressures on each of these at the moment, with the demand for ever cheaper costs and the price war between the big supermarket chains, coupled with other pressures such as soaring energy costs and global climate change? There will be the chance during this day to visit either a producer (farmer or grower) or a processor (food preparer or manufacturer etc.) and hear from them about their current and future challenges.</p>
<b>Aberdeen</b>	<b>20 June</b>	<p><b>The future of the Oil Industry</b>          Aberdeen City &amp; Shire is the centre for the UK's North Sea oil and gas industry and has the highest concentration of energy businesses in Europe. However the energy industry is changing and topics such as peak oil, climate change and energy security are now in everyone's consciousness. Set against the backdrop of increasing political pressure to adopt renewable energy sources and the energy industry providing 16% of total employment in the region, find out how Aberdeen City &amp; Shire is responding to the challenge.</p>

<b>London</b>	<b>3 August</b>	<b><i>Topic TBC</i></b>
<b>Glasgow</b>	<b>9 August</b>	<p><b><i>“New Horizons” – the STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths] industries</i></b></p> <p>It is widely said that future economic growth, prosperity and jobs will come from the Knowledge Economy, in particular the STEM Industries (Science, Technology, Engineering &amp; Maths); and yet there is a reduction in STEM students at University in the UK. What’s the response in Glasgow?</p> <p>Meet representatives of academia, and public and private organisations meeting the challenge, find out more about Glasgow’s place in the global STEM industries, explore what exactly this means for economic growth and employment and learn more about the major projects that are underway and how they may impact on the future of the region, and on all our futures.</p>
<b>Edinburgh</b>	<b>21 August</b>	<b><i>Topic TBC</i></b>
<b>West Yorkshire</b>	<b>27 September</b>	<b><i>Topic TBC</i></b>
<b>Bristol</b>	<b>4 October</b>	<b><i>Topic TBC</i></b>
<b>NE England</b>	<b>9 November</b>	<b><i>Topic TBC</i></b>