

# The Thistle

## Glasgow City's Safer Drug Consumption Facility

The Safer Drug Consumption Room in Glasgow is called The Thistle. It is based at Hunter Street Health and Care Centre and open 365 days a year from 9am to 9pm.

### What is a Safer Drug Consumption Facility?

The Thistle is a safe, clean, warm and welcoming service where you can inject your drugs. If you choose, the staff will also help you access other recovery and support services you need. Our staff team includes people with lived experience.

### Will I be stopped by the police if I try to use this service?

You will not be stopped for solely trying to access The Thistle. You will only be stopped if you are engaged in activity that would provide Police Scotland with reasonable cause to stop you and/or search you. The Hunter Street Health and Care Centre is home to many services, so entering the building will not necessarily identify anyone as using The Thistle services.

### Confidentiality

This is a confidential service. For more information, visit:  
[glasgowcity.hscp.scot/sdcf-service-user-information](https://glasgowcity.hscp.scot/sdcf-service-user-information)

### Why should I use the service?

If you inject drugs, The Thistle will be a safer option for you.

- you will have access to vein finders
- you will have access to wound care
- you will have access to advice from a range of health and social care staff
- staff will be able to respond if you overdose or have any other problems
- you will have access to our clothes store and shower facilities
- the lounge has tea and coffee, Wifi and staff available to support with any issues you may have
- there is a patio where you can smoke tobacco.

### What are the rules of the service?

Those attending the service:

- must be over the age of 18
- can only inject the drugs they bring onto the site
- cannot consume alcohol
- cannot share or sell drugs on site, and
- cannot help others to make up or inject drugs

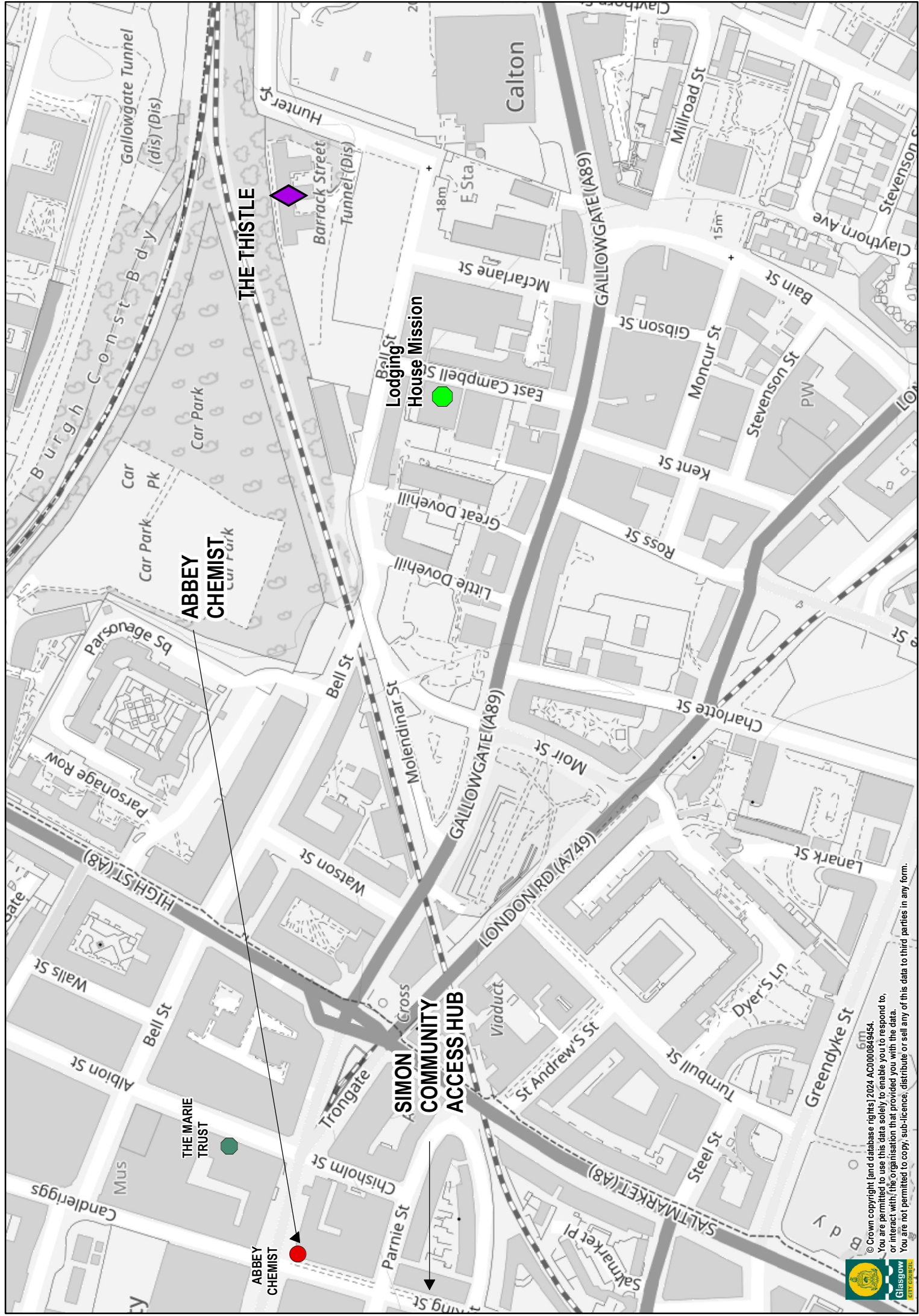
At present we are not able to offer smoking or inhalation facilities for consuming drugs or provide tourniquets.



Watch our video of  
**The Thistle** to see  
how the service works.

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