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A page from the Paisley Florist Society minute book, dated from 1797-1833

## Paisley Florist Society Minute Book Digitisation

In May 2018, Abergower were successful in the digitisation of the Paisley Florist Society minute book for Renfrewshire Leisure. The Paisley Florist Society was founded in 1782 by the town's weavers and is one of the oldest horticultural societies in the UK.

The digitisation of this very precious and delicate book demonstrated Abergower's skill, capability and expertise. It has allowed the amazing contents of the book to be accessed by a wide community of people interested in this very precious material.

The process consisted of the following:

- Each page was physically turned by hand by our skilled book scanning staff and captured to a very high resolution.
- The images were then processed through our quality control systems to achieve exact colour matching and crispness of resolution.

Lisa-Marie Hughes, chair of Renfrewshire
Leisure's board commented, "This project allows
people to easily access information about an
important part of Paisley's culture and heritage.
I'm sure people, and especially the local
gardening enthusiasts, will find the digitised
minutes of great interest."