



# The Barra Bunting Project

*Be a part of it!*

The aim of this project is to unite a worldwide community by bringing them together on one project that everyone can take-part in.

We would like people to make one bunting flag of their own design. **The only qualification needed for making a flag is that you must have set foot on Barra and/or Vatersay.**

All flags created will be sewn together and a large amount of bunting created that can be used at events throughout Barra and Vatersay.

The Project will also create an archive of all the flags. For this archive we would like to know a little about yourself and your flag. We would like you to send the following information to accompany your flag:- **Name, Year of birth, Where you live, Your relationship with Barra and/or Vatersay, What your flag represents and a picture of yourself.**

This is not a one-off project. It will go on year after year with new people creating flags and them being added to the original bunting.

## What should I put on my flag?

Your flag design can be anything you like. It could simply be a piece of material you like or a piece of material that means something to you. You could use more than one piece of fabric to create a collage or patchwork effect. You could decorate your flag with embellishments such as buttons, embroidery, ribbon etc... Just let your imagination go and see what you can come up with.

## I need help...

There will be a number of bunting workshops throughout the year to help you with your flag. Perhaps you have a great idea but are not sure where to start or you would just like a bit of guidance, if so, then just drop in. At each workshop there will be fabric and access to a sewing machine so you can make your whole flag there and then.

Workshop dates will be advertised and on the website

**[www.barrabunting.net](http://www.barrabunting.net)**.

## How do I make my flag? (see template on the reverse)

There are a number of ways to make your flag however there are two methods below. The important points to remember are:-

- It is to be the same size and shape as the template on the reverse.
- It is to be made of fabric (embellishments can be made of other materials)
- It is to be stitched (not glued) so that it will last for years to come.

## Method One

Cut two pieces of fabric; the piece for the front of the flag and the backing material larger than the template on the reverse to allow for a seam.

Once you have finished your flag design, put your fabric together right sides facing and stitch down the two long sides.

Turn your flag the right way round.

## Method Two

Using pinking shears cut two pieces of fabric; the piece for the front of the flag and the backing material .

Once you have finished your flag design put your fabric together wrong sides facing and stitch down the two long sides.

## Top of flag

Don't worry about finishing off the top of the flag as this can be done when all the flags are being stitched together by our local bunting team.

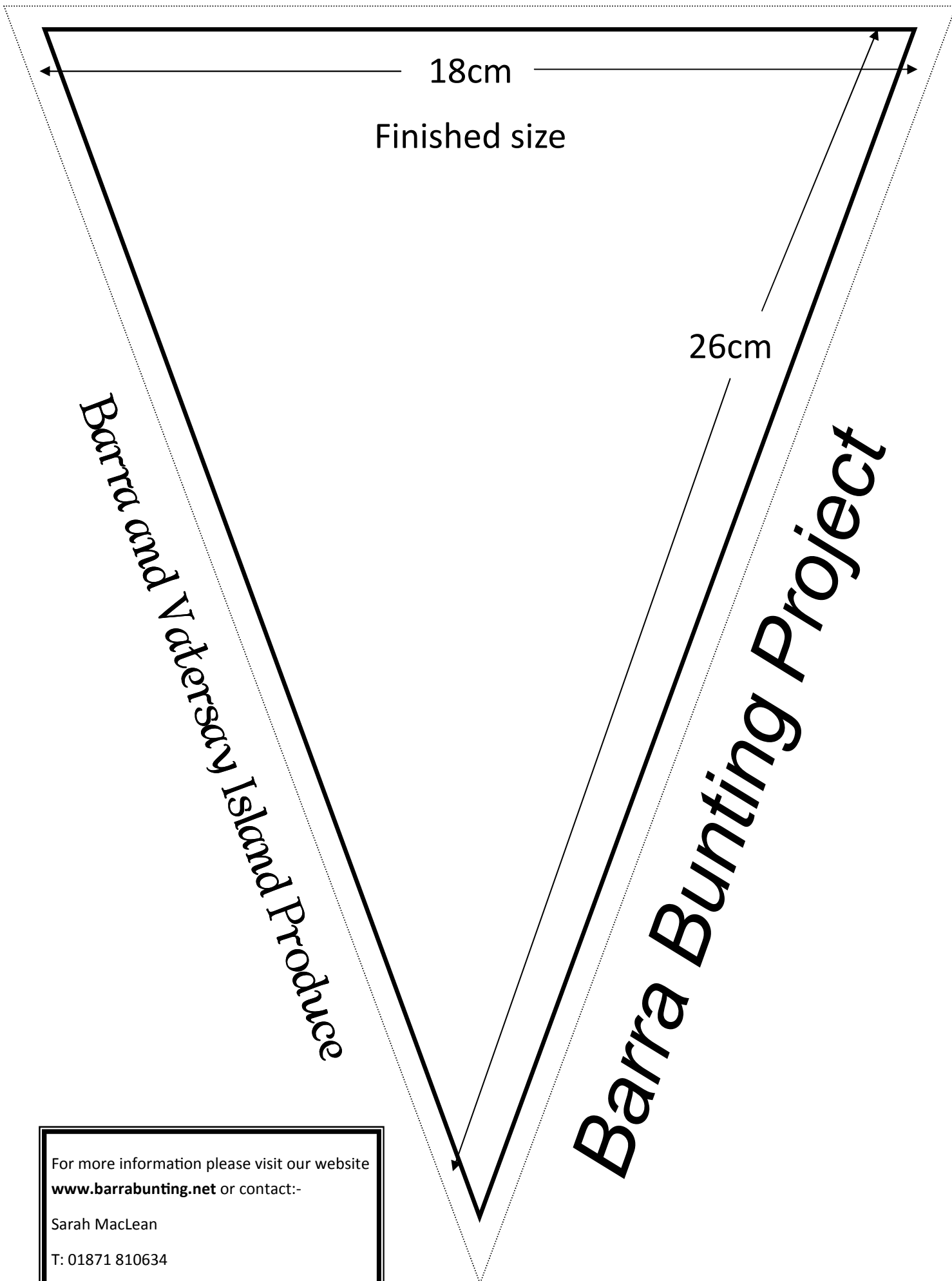
## Finished?

Please send your completed flag along with information to:-

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