Auchinlea Park History

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Auchinlea Park is one of Glasgow's newest parks, which was developed in the 70's created from former quarries and wasteland to enhance Provanhall House, a National Trust monument said to be the finest and most complete example of a pre reformation baronial mansion.

• Provanhall House, which stands in the grounds of Auchinlea Park, is an A-listed building which shares a central courtyard with Blochairn House, also an A-listed building

• Provanhall House, which is the older of the two existing builds, is thought to be about 500 years old - the exact date of construction is a matter of debate and some architectural features seem to show it to be as old as Provans Lordship (1471) or even older

• At one time, the estate covered an area of about 5,000 acres and stretched from Springburn to Bishop Loch, and from Shettleston to Garthamlock

• King James IV of Scotland was made a Canon of Glasgow Cathedral to atone for his role in the death of his father at the battle of Sauchieburn and as such was the Prebendary of Provanhall

• James IV was a keen huntsman and the Bishop's Forest surrounding Provanhall was a notable hunting area

Outstanding Features

There are two A-listed historical buildings situated within the grounds of Auchinlea Park with its formal and informal gardens

- Provan Hall House
- Blochairn House