### The Mercat Cross

# A staple of Ochiltree

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## History of the Cross

- The cross has been broken on a number of occasions due to its roadside location
- In 1879 to mark the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria a group of Ochiltree sons based in Glasgow arranged for its restoration
- It was again restored by Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council in 1977 the year of Queen Elizabeth II's Silver Jubilee
- The Mercat Cross commemorates that there used to be a market in this location at the Over Fork Over



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