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Galston could see £100m boom

A POTENTIAL new tourism development near Galston could cause a £100m boom and bring around 400 new jobs.

The new Allseasons development would include a 25-acre man-made loch, a 40-bedroom hotel and 100 luxury holiday lodges.

The scheme is the brainchild of Andrew and Jennifer Malcolm, who first bought the plot of land in 1996.

It is hoped that the first phase of the development will be completed by 2009, in time for the Open Golf Championship at Turnberry.

A possible second phase would include a modern harbour with moorings, coffee shops, a garden centre and wildlife watching areas.

Plans have been presented to East Ayrshire Council for approval.

Andrew said: "This development will be a first for Scotland in terms of providing an environmentally-led tourist destination."

And Jennifer added: "We knew we wanted to create a really beautiful area that would maintain the local wildlife."

