

SHARK Johnshaven

Meeting held at the Ship Hotel, Johnshaven Sunday 17th April 2016

Present: Rebecca Chambers, Maureen and Niall Young, Alyson and Neil Wilkie
Apologies Sue Calder

1/ Tractor and Trailer – Tractor was serviced and minor issues resolved at Millend Garage. There remains a problem with the trailer lift mechanism which emerged on the first collection. The tractor cover has been repaired. Insurance and road tax renewed.

2/ Collections – Started on 26th March, first two completed without problems. We have 3 new volunteers this year, and Rebecca stressed the importance of giving a safety briefing. This should be the responsibility of the driver. A copy of the Risk Assessment sheet is available on the website. There are still some memberships outstanding for 2016, so the sheet should be checked and notices handed out if bags are left out.

3/ Flower Display – The planned assistance to the Community Garden group to replace the boat at Johnshaven Road End has not yet been carried out. Still waiting confirmation of a suitable date.

4/ Compost Site – We have funds available to undertake the container living roof project and Niall agreed to review and order the materials.

5/ Clean-up Events – The first official Beach Clean was held on 20th March with 17 volunteers turning out to do the Lathallan stretch. The format for reporting to the Marine Conservation Society has changed and we have reflected this in our analysis available on the website. A Keep Scotland Beautiful Village Clean was held on 3rd April and in spite of there only being 5 volunteers we managed to fill 9 bags of litter.

6/ Dead Porpoise - A porpoise washed up at the Hardgate has been reported to the British Divers Marine Life Rescue but no action has been taken.

7/ Accounts – The current Bank balance is £1157.96, with further 2016 membership fees still to be paid in.

Next Meeting : Sunday 14th August 2016 at 7pm in the Ship.