

SHARK Johnshaven

Meeting held at the Ship Hotel, Johnshaven Sunday 14th August 2016

Present: Rebecca Chambers, Sue Calder, Maureen and Niall Young, Neil Wilkie, Vera Fillingham, Emma Eliot, Craig Simpson

Apologies

1/ Tractor and Trailer – Some problems have been experienced with the trailer brake locking on after sitting at the garage between collections. The instructions to drivers have been updated on the website and the copy on the tractor will be replaced.

2/ Collections – This year's collections going well. We have 5 new volunteers helping this year.

3/ Compost Site – The container door needs repairing and repainting because of rust. Rebecca to investigate if we still the materials. The container living roof project was discussed and it was agreed we should try to aim for the first weekend in October (1st and 2nd) as it would be more likely to attract the maximum number of helpers then. Niall will produce an action plan including things to do before then such as clearing the nettles at the site and ordering the materials. Craig and Emma offered the use of their garage to store materials before the build, and indicated they have relevant tools and equipment. It was also suggested that the gate could be repaired at the same time as the work.

4/ 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.

5/ Clean-up Events – The Beach Clean on 26th June attracted 15 volunteers and we turned up quite a lot of surprising items. The next one will be in conjunction with the national Beach Clean initiative on 18th September at 11am.

6/ Mill of Benholm Open Day - We have been asked to be present but are waiting detail on what is expected of us. It is planned for Saturday 20th August and Rebecca will be looking for volunteers to set up ready for 1.30pm.

7/ NEOS Cafe - NEOS will include the weekends of 10/11 and 17/18 September this year. It was agreed we should try to get the Hall slots for 11th and 17th for our cafe. Niall will look at producing posters to make sure visitors can find us, and send details to the Mearns Leader.

8/ Volunteer Barbecue - This is planned for Sunday 21st August starting at 2pm. Maureen and Niall offered to host again.

9/ Accounts – The current Bank balance is £1520.

10/ AOCB - Rebecca noted we had received a thank you card from Carol Eaton for the flowers we sent following the recent family bereavement.

Next Meeting : Sunday 20th November 2016 at 7pm in the Ship.