

SHARK Johnshaven

Meeting held at the Ship Hotel, Johnshaven Sunday 16th July 2017

Present: Rebecca Chambers, Sue Calder, Maureen and Niall Young, Alyson and Neil Wilkie, Emma Eliot and Craig Simpson, Jim Brebner, Vera Fillingham, Maxine Murphy and Chris Gadd, Elmer Rojas

Apologies: None received.

1/ Tractor and Trailer – Both tractor rear-view mirrors need to be replaced. Tractor hydraulic fluid is leaking and has been highlighted by a resident as a problem. We probably need a longer term solution to minor problems rather than relying solely on Jim at Millend Garage about servicing. The trailer battery is still holding out but the brake jamming is still an issue when reversing.

2/ Collections – No specific issues..

3/ Compost Site – We currently have Jim Shepherd's generator as well at the site - not sure what to do with it! Chris suggested getting an extension cable to avoid having to move the generator along to the compost, but care would be needed to use this. No progress as yet with creating a back wall to help manage composting.

4/ Boat for Flower Display – Thanks to all who took part in replacing the boat, which looks good.

5/ Beach and Village Cleans – A Beach Clean covering the Johnshaven South stretch on 4th June had 18 volunteers and collected 16 bags of rubbish. The next Beach Clean will be on 17th September at 11am in conjunction with the Great British Beach Clean and will cover the stretch north of the Harbour.

6/ NEOS Cafe - NEOS runs this year from 9th to 17th September. It was agreed we should plan for cafes of 10th and 16th depending on the other groups.

7/ Other Initiatives - Rebecca highlighted Himalayan Balsam (Policeman's Helmet) growing in Bervie - a highly invasive and prohibited species. She has offered Shark's help in clearing this. Rebecca also noted the Big Butterfly Count currently ongoing up to 8th August and suggested members might like to participate. Will be posted on Facebook.

8/ Accounts - The most recent Bank Statement showed funds of £2412.08.

9/ Barbecue - Dates for this were discussed and it was agreed to hold it on 27th August. Emma and Carig offered to host it this year.

10/ AOB - Niall asked for some help in managing the turning of compost. Craig offered to assist. Niall will liaise with Craig over details.

Next Meeting : Sunday 15th October 2017 at 7pm in the Ship.