

SHARK Johnshaven

Meeting Held At the Ship Hotel, Johnshaven Sunday 5th May 2013 at 7pm

Present Rebecca Chambers, Sue Calder, Vera Fillingham, Alyson and Neil Wilkie, Maureen and Niall Young
Apologies Walter Fillingham

Administration:

- Tractor road tax renewed.
- Tractor now has 2 new tyres – further maintenance is still needed and will hopefully be completed this month. Waiting on bill from Jim Shepherd.
- SEPA Licence renewed.
- Bank balance is £4265.42. Doesn't include cheque for Road Repairs (see below).

Collections:

- Collections going well so far and site clean-up done.
- 15 memberships still outstanding. Need to be more strict in collections from now on.
- Kenny Bruce not available to turn the compost in May, but Niall Young and Jim Mather will fill in.
- 14 bags of compost distributed so far. Not all paid for yet!

Road Repairs:

- The amount agreed for the work (~£2000) has been passed to Alistair Watson. It is understood that a similar amount has been provided by Aberdeenshire Council so the work should be able to proceed.

Beach Cleans etc:

- Beach clean on March 17th at Seagreens was a success with 13 volunteers.
- The Keep Scotland Beautiful clean-up on the railway line had 11 volunteers including an enthusiastic 3 year-old. Goodies from Greggs were much appreciated. Our thanks and a photograph were passed to Greggs. A photo was also sent to the KSB office and we received an e-mail thanking us for our efforts.
- The tractor did some sterling work helping members of the Community Council clear storm debris from the Coastal Path towards the Haughs of Benholm. This has been well received by walkers and cyclists.

Future Dates:

- Beach clean in Gourdon on 11th May at 10am, concentrating on the area to the South of the Harbour.
- Rebecca is hoping to talk to Mrs Fernandez at the School about the Yellowfish project, with volunteers to help in applying stencils near drains in the village to emphasise "only rain in the drain" and try to educate against tipping harmful fluids. She will inform members once this is set up.

Other Business:

- The sum of £200 was passed to the Lifeboat Society as our contribution to a memorial for Gerry.
- Sue asked for the e-mail of Don Marr of the Community Council so she could draw attention to the need to remove the birthday greeting at the entrance to the village which is an eyesore.
- The continuing problem of dog fouling was also discussed and Maureen suggested getting some markers to try to shame the culprits into picking up.

Rebecca closed the meeting and thanked those attending.

Next meeting : 2nd July, 7 p.m. at the Ship.
Note that this is a Tuesday, rather than a Sunday!