



Cove in Bloom

SILVER MEDAL WINNERS

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Working for Cove and Altens

By the time you read this our entry for the Beautiful Scotland Competition will have been judged, but the results will not have reached us yet! We'll let you know how well we did in the next issue.

Our regular Saturday morning team have continued to tidy up, weed and plant up the Community garden and the planters around the village, and they are looking good.

We have extended the area that we tidy up along Cove Road this year, and have added some planting as well. I think you will agree that the area looks better for it. We have also had a team cleaning up the Woodland Walk, and it has now been cut hard back, so it should be a pleasure to walk along it. Thanks to those of you who contacted us through Streetlife with offers of help that were made good.



Our dog walking community will also be pleased, we hope, by the addition of two new litter/poo bins along South Loirston Road. One at the Langdykes Road end, and the other at the entrance to the field where the Community Orchard is. Hopefully these are being well used, they were sorely needed.

We have been doing some additional work in Old Cove, along with Friends of Old Cove, and there are now a number of troughs and some hanging planters at the roadsides there, which are looking grand. The ground by the SSE sub-station has been planted up, too, and is no longer the eyesore it was, and the bed at the top of Hasman Terrace has been tidied up again. The periwinkle is filling out, and should look really good next year. We wish Friends of Old Cove all the best with their entry in the 'It's Your Neighbourhood Awards' this year.

The three beds on Langdykes Road are coming on well, and have benefitted from the woodchips laid there as weed control and mulch.



We have a new planter on Earnsheugh Road, which is very bonny, and we have also completely revamped the bed on the opposite bank by the bus stop. A real improvement there!



The hanging baskets are up on Langdykes Road at its junction with Earnsheugh Road, completing our efforts to make the entrance to Cove off the roundabout really attractive.

These baskets are planted up for us by Mr Penny of Cove Nurseries, whose expertise shows in the beautiful display, but we do the watering ourselves. If you use that junction you may well see us out with our Heath Robinson bowser, come rain or shine. These large baskets have a reservoir which needs to be kept filled with water for the flowers to thrive, and the rain has little effect, so we aren't being as daft as it might seem when we are watering them in the rain!

Our final achievement this season is to have renewed the footpaths to the planter outside Charleston School. Work on this is just starting as I write, so that by the time you read this, with chuckies donated by Leiths and timber edging donated by EIS, these paths will be greatly improved.

AND FINALLY, there will be no more garden workshops in Altens Community Centre this year. We plan to start again towards the end of the year with talks rather than workshops, and we'll keep you informed as plans progress.