



# Cove in Bloom

SILVER MEDAL WINNERS

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## Working for Cove and Altens

### SILVER MEDAL WINNERS THREE YEARS RUNNING!

We are delighted that we have maintained our high standard again, and are already preparing for the 2015/16 competition. The award ceremony in Perth was encouraging, and all those groups from Aberdeen City as a whole did very well, with the city itself taking Gold.

Friends of Old Cove have entered the Its Your Neighbourhood awards this year, too. They haven't heard their results yet, but if we hear before this issue goes to print we'll let you know. Our congratulations to Old Cove on their hard work and great results they have achieved.



Our regular Saturday morning team are still working, the growing season starts to slow down now, but we still need to tidy up and weed the Community garden, flower beds and planters around the village, 'putting the garden to bed' for the winter. It is really disappointing – and very puzzling – to find that some of our plants have been pulled out of the planters.

Our stretch of Cove Road is now looking very good, thanks to Mike's regular outings with the mower, and he is also driving the work along the Woodland

Walk, with help from a few keen helpers. This too will slow down for the winter months, but we hope to start next year with a drive to keep the grass and weeds down before they get out of control. However, the work along this path will take up a great deal of time, so if Cove residents want this path kept clear, Cove residents will need to help. We have the tools to do the work, but we need more help. If you can give an hour or two to use a mower or a strimmer we can supply the training and the tools and you can work in your own time. Please get in touch.

The footpaths to the planter outside Charleston School have been completely renovated now, and are looking really good. Our thanks go to the Community Payback team who have done the hard work and to Leiths for the granite chippings.



Our sponsored walk takes place on 11<sup>th</sup> October this year, later than previously but we are hoping it will be well supported, and add to the funds for the statue of Isie Caie which is planned. The sensory garden plans are well under way, and we are hoping to get started on this in 2016.

**AND FINALLY, Cove and Altens can only continue to Bloom with a lot of hard work. We need your help to make it work, weeding and tidying, mowing and strimming all take time, so if you can give us an hour or two on a regular basis please get in touch. You can join one of the teams working together on specific projects, or you can do your bit when it suits you, working alone if you prefer. Contact Cove in Bloom by phone, email, or just come round to South Loirston to chat about how you can help. It's worth it!**