



A PUBLICATION BY THE TAY ESTUARY FORUM: PROMOTING THE WISE AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF THE TAY ESTUARY AND ITS ADJACENT COASTLINE

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It's that time of year again when the TEF host their Annual Conference, to which all are welcome! This year we have set a theme of Dynamic Coasts and the event will be held, as usual at West Park Conference Centre, in Dundee on Friday April 13th (yes really!) Despite the date (as well as the event coinciding with the 100th Anniversary of the sinking of Titanic!) we can assure you an enjoyable day, full of informative presentations from around the TEF region and beyond; looking at issues such as coastal erosion, sediment dynamics, sea level change and plans for managing that change, to name a few of the topics to be discussed (see Flyer: Item 4). So please fill out a booking form (Item 5) and e-mail it to TayEstuaryForum@dundee.ac.uk ASAP to secure your place.

We look forward to seeing you all there, Laura Booth (Project Officer)

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1: TEF UPDATE

- Last TEF Steering Group meeting **Nov 4th** 2011 at Port of Dundee Offices (Forth Ports Ltd).
- Sectoral Interactions Matrix interviews have now concluded. Thanks to all for taking part.

Final report drafted by end March 2012.

- Next Steering Group meeting March 9th 2012
 - at University of Abertay
- LCP Meeting, Edinburgh 14th March 2012

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Sectoral Interactions Matrix along
with report, being finalised.

Submission due end March 2012.

More next issue and at
TEF Conference 2012

2. Plans to Reopen the Popular Seaton Cliffs Path Outlined

The Seaton Cliffs path in Arbroath, was closed last year at three locations between Victoria Park and Auchmithie for safety reasons due to landslips and erosion.

Angus Council, in partnership with The Scottish Wildlife Trust, who own the path, have now identified actions which would allow the reopening of the route at Seamen's Grave, Dickmont's Den and Carlingheugh Bay.

The investigations have concluded that the section at Dickmont's Den could be reopened to the public with regular monitoring being carried out by the Trust and the council. At Seamen's Grave, the preferred option is to relocate the footpath a suitable distance away from the current route.

Discussions continue on options for the section of path at Carlingheugh Bay, with a diversion along the beach as one possible solution allowing walkers access to the path at Auchmithie and access to Seaton Den. The Scottish Wildlife Trust is now in discussion with neighbouring landowners to acquire the land as required to implement the recommended actions.



Section of Seaton Cliffs Path. Image & article courtesy of Angus Council.

3. National Spring Clean 2012

Keep Scotland Beautiful is excited to announce details of Scotland's biggest annual litter clean up, National Spring Clean, and this year we're hoping it will be the biggest and best yet.

This year's campaign will run from 1st April - 31st May 2012 and this year we've set ourselves the ambitious target of getting 200,000 participants.

Make a difference to your favourite place

Taking part in National Spring Clean is a great way to make a difference to your favourite place in Scotland.

Whether it's your local park, a favourite beach, the route of your Sunday walk or an unloved piece of land that you pass everyday there are thousands of places that would benefit from a bit of TLC.

So this Spring why not spend an hour or two with your family, friends, colleagues or community group to improve your neighbourhood.

How you can help

Sign up to now to receive your FREE Clean Up Kit. Your kit contains everything you need to get started including tabards, posters, a 'how to' guide and details on how you can get the litter you collect picked up afterwards.

Visit www.keepscotlandbeautiful.org to find out more, including details of great competitions and how to get your hands on some tasty Gregg's treats.

From

The Spring Clean Team @ Keep Scotland Beautiful



Tay Estuary Forum Conference 2012

Friday 13th April, West Park Conference Centre, DUNDEE

Dynamic Coasts



Booking Forms/ Programme available from: www.dundee.ac.uk/TEF/

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Tay Estuary Forum Annual Conference 2012

"Dynamic Coasts"

Friday 13th April

West Park Conference Centre, Perth Road, Dundee

9:30-10:00 registration

10am START 4pm FINISH £50. (includes lunch, morning & afternoon coffee & refreshments) £25. Student Rate

 Cheques should be made payable to University of Dundee, and forwarded to Tay Estuary Forum, Room G35, Tower Building, University of Dundee, Dundee, DD1 4HN

Please return your completed booking form ASAP and by 5th April at the latest, so that catering can be finalised.

- Invoices can be provided on request
- Payment should be made before the conference
- No refunds shall be given for cancellations less than two weeks before the event

A map showing the location of West Park Conference Centre is available at: http://www.dundee.ac.uk/general/campusmap/genlocation.htm

Search for "West Park Conference Centre" on Campus Map for directions and link to conference centre website

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Booking Form

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Name	Organisation	
Address		
Email	Tele	
	Fax	
I will be attending for a fee of £50.		
No. of places Total amount payabl	e £ Invoice required: Yes/ No	
Any special dietary requirements		

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