



The Project

Transforming our marina into a vibrant sporting and adventure venue to bring inspiring, healthy and positive activities to people in the local community.

What's Involved

We will work to reduce the amount of floating litter and pollution getting into the marina by raising awareness in local schools and the wider community.



We will engage with our partner organisations to support manual collection of floating litter from the water on a regular basis.



We will implement a regular programme of water quality testing to monitor the impact of the project. We will make this information public so that other organisations, such as sporting event organisers, can access it and plan accordingly.



We will continue to build on the existing activities of the Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project to grow the use of the marina for water sports, both as part of our youth club provision, and as a means of generating income to support our charitable status.



We will look to invest in SeaBins bringing innovative and exciting technology to the community that will benefit the quality of marina water..



We will seek other funding to support the project.

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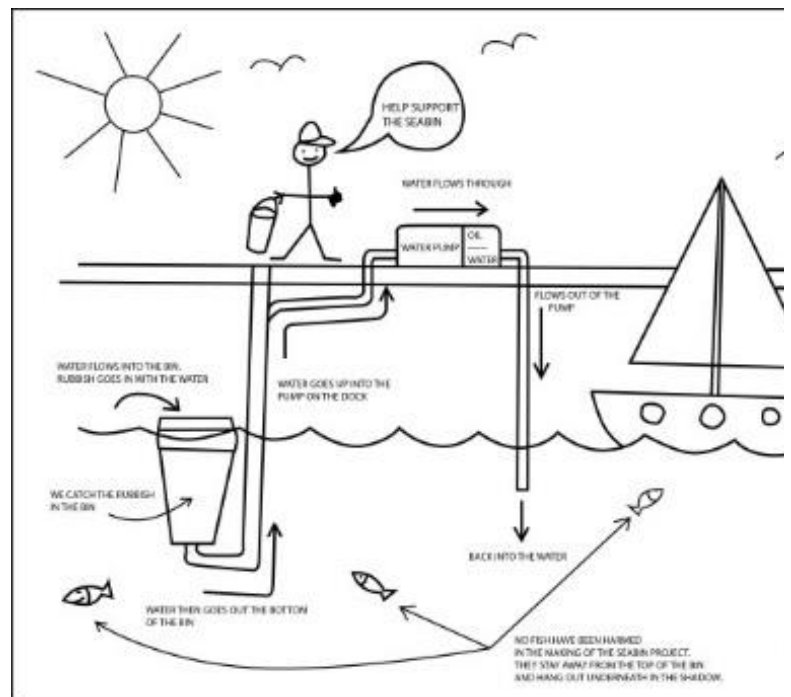
We will be working with these groups and organisations:-

Whitehaven Marina
Whitehaven Harbour Commissioners
Copeland Canoe Club
Whitehaven Town Council
Whitehaven Castle Rotary Club
Local Primary and Secondary Schools
Members of the Community

If you would like to get involved please do let us know!

What Is A SeaBin?

Automated marina rubbish bins that collect floating rubbish, debris and oil 24 hours a day. Created by the Australian based SeaBin Project team. Priced at approx £3500 per bin.



What Activities Can Happen In The Marina? Each year the Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project runs paddle sports activities in the local marina. These include after school clubs, skills development and coaching, social events, and taster sessions for adults and children alike. We use open Canoes, closed cockpit Kayaks and Stand Up Paddle Boards. As part of this project we will develop our use of the water and hope that others will do the same. Open water swim sessions, triathlons, leisure, canoe club training... the opportunities are endless!

Why We Exist

Our mission is 'To give young people an opportunity to develop their potential, to understand themselves and others, to enjoy life and to contribute positively to the world'. We promote healthy and positive lifestyle choices in everything that we do. Every year over a thousand young people enjoy our services and facilities and hundreds of those told us that they had made new friends, grown in confidence, become physically fitter, felt happier, or gained a nationally recognised accreditation as a result. We operate on an entirely not for profit basis and keep activity costs at an absolute minimum to make sure that as many people as possible can access our services.

Friendly Youth Clubs

Our regular youth clubs are open to anyone aged 7 to 18 years old. They offer a safe, friendly, fun environment to socialise and take part in a whole host of activities including table tennis, girls groups, gaming club, rock climbing, football, and arts. In addition to our regular programme of events, we offer extra adventures throughout the year including skiing, sailing, cycling, shopping excursions, theatre and cinema trips, bowling, and trips to national sporting events. These can last anything from a few hours to 8 days!

Sports and Outdoor Adventures

Our activity programme is filled year round with opportunities for young people to try new activities, get out in the great Cumbrian outdoors and gain nationally recognised accreditations such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award, Table Tennis England Butterfly Skills Awards, and National Indoor Climbing Wall Awards to name just a few!

But it's not only youth club members who can get involved! Fancy trying Stand-Up-Paddle Boarding as a family? Looking for new and exciting after school clubs? Planning a staff training day for you and your colleagues? Incorporating adventure and outdoor learning into the school curriculum? We can help and you can support a local charity at the same time! We hold an Adventurous Activities License, provide minibus transport, and have all or own qualified and experienced staff. Our prices are highly competitive and all income generated is fed directly back into our charitable activities.

Community Facilities for Hire

Based in Whitehaven Town Centre, our facilities are available to hire 7 days a week, daytimes and evenings. They include private meeting rooms, a large multi-use open plan area, a sports hall, a climbing wall and a café. Facilities can be hired on a catered or self-catering basis and all rates are highly competitive. The perfect venue for a children's party, a conference, a 5-a-side football game and much more!

We are a passionate bunch

The Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project turned 20 years old in 2016. It has been an incredible journey. From relatively small beginnings the project has grown into one of the largest providers of youth groups, sports and outdoor activities in the area. We are a registered charity and company limited by guarantee. We are part grant funded and part supported by our own earned income and fundraising. Our two main funders are Copeland Community Fund and Big Lottery Reaching Communities. A Board of Trustees have overall responsibility for the charity which is run on a day to day basis by a team of 7 permanent staff as well as 800+ hours of volunteer time each year!

Volunteer For Us

Make a real difference in your local community. If you are looking for an opportunity to gain experience in youth work, sports coaching, or outdoor activities then please get in touch. We would love to hear from you.

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