Dufftown Community Action

On the 20th of July 2022 in the Glassworks Café in Dufftown from 5pm - 7pm a meeting was held to discuss the current state of Dufftown. There was a total of 22 attendees spanning many organizations that include:

- Dufftown in Bloom
- Dufftown 2000
- Horticultural Society
- Memorial Hall
- The Cabin
- Speyside Youth
- Bowling Club
- DDCA
- DMDT
- tsiMoray
- B&B owners
- Residents of Dufftown



A member from the Speyside Youth committee took minutes. This is a short report summarising the key points we gathered from the meeting.

During this meeting we highlighted **positive things in Dufftown** such as:

- How Dufftown handled the Covid 19 Pandemic
- The natural surroundings and environment provided by Dufftown in Bloom
- Many renovations have taken place to buildings including the community centre, bowling club etc
- Community food larder
- Shop delivery is good
- We have a generous community

We also discussed the main problems in **Dufftown** such as:

- Visually, the town is not appealing litter and messy shopfronts
- Teenagers doing vandalism as well as substance abuse
- Lack of services such as post office, restaurants, and leisure activities
- Lack of volunteers
- Lack of social events post covid including soup and sweets, ceilidhs, and tombolas





And so, we came up with some **next** steps:

- Take advantage of the clock tower
- Create a pool of volunteers
- Install signs and directions to help lost tourists
- Take better advantage of a noticeboard and use it to provide more information about activities and news in Dufftown
- Collaborate with other organizations
- We have decided to hold these meetings quarterly.

Report written by two members of Speyside Youth



Community action meeting organised by DDCA

