Clyde Litter Symposium
FSC Millport
Saturday 26th November 2016
10.40-3.30pm







Aims of event:

- Share practical ways we can work together to tackle these issues and improve the Clyde Marine Environment
- Action plan for a better environment and Clyde marine litter strategy

Are you from a local community group or organisation with an interest in the state of the Clyde?

Do you live locally and are concerned about litter on our beaches?

Are you a researcher in this field, eager to share your findings with a wider audience?

Are you a teacher or educator interested in how this issue can be shared with groups of young people?

Workshops and talks include:

- An overview of recent research on the impacts of Micro-plastics on the Clyde Marine environment.
- Practical ideas on how to organise a beach clean.
- Citizen Science data from beach cleans – what is the National Picture?
- Using marine litter as a teaching tool: practical outdoor learning activities which link to the Literacy, numeracy and Learning for Sustainability curriculum.

Cost: £10, including lunch. For more information and to sign up go to:
http://www.field-studies-council.org/individuals-and-families/courses/2017/mi-(1)/clyde-litter-symposium.aspx

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Programme

10:00: Arrivals, Tea and coffee
10.40: Welcome and overview. Isabel Glasgow
(Start time gives people time to arrive on the 10.15am Largs ferry)

Session 1: The Science
10.50: Marine micro-plastics and their impact on the Firth of Clyde. And Citizen science and the synthetic strandline. Dr Natalie Welden (OU) 11.10: Q&A session

Session 2: Action
11.15: Litter Picks – An Arran Coastal way perspective. Rachel Sedman
11.25: Eco-marine Crafts Day". Jenny Stark and myself, Manuela de los Rios (COAST)
11.35: A community approach to beach cleaning in the Clyde. Sandra MacMillan (Beachwatch Bute)
11:45: Tackling Marine & Land-based Litter, Helensburgh & Lomond. Audrey Baird (Argyll & Bute Council)
12.00: Q&A session

12:10: Lunch
(12:45: Optional tour of FSC Millport and the newly developed facilities, Museum and Aquarium)

Session 3: Setting the Clyde in a wider context
13:00: Fishing for litter. Graham Humphries (KIMO UK)
13:15: Community engagement and marine Litter in Shetland and Orkney. Laura Curtis-Moss (RSPB)
13.25: Litter prevention and Recreational Anglers. Sam King (SSACN)
13.35: Beachwatch in the Clyde Marine Region. Catherine Gemmell (MCS)
13:45: Q&A session

Session 4: Where next?
13:55: Workshop:
Marine Planning – effective policy approaches for tackling marine litter. (Led by Clyde Marine Planning Partnership) Focused on getting views of stakeholders to inform marine planning in the Clyde.
15:20: Closing remarks. Isabel Glasgow
15:30: Departure