



History of fishing, whaling, the Great Michael, fishwives and willow as well as storytelling. Largest Warship in Europe built in 1511, Scotland's first world beating ship yard, James IV wanted a ship to impress.

## Where we go

- Main Street Garden
- Victoria Primary School Playground
- Old Burial Ground
- Back gardens
- Willowbank Corner
- Andrew Wood Court Corner
- The Harbour
- Car Park
- Fishmarket Square
- Window boxes
- Drying area in Lambs Court
- New Lane

It started with £500 a blue bench and wonderful helpers



Wanting to enhance the grey buildings and bring colour to the old traditional fishing cottages in Newhaven I tried to find a community and eventually stumbled across Newhaven Heritage Centre that became the vehicle for applying for funds and advertising for volunteers I put flyers out and we had 5 people come along on the first sunny day. Key to garden and plots....

The first day of clearance and ridding the weeds and membrane



## Window boxes to bring colour



RHS Greening Grey Britain

## Then the School Garden



## Young people have made the area flourish with help from experts



Then the back areas of the houses and we tried to improve the borders for the local residents who are mainly older and also frail or with disabilities and I have always been around to stop for a chat or check that people are ok. We also deliver flowers to cheer people up if they are having a hard time. Around 700 people live in the heart of Newhaven and new younger people are joining the community and other people are staying as the environment improves.

## The back area under a tree





## What we created



Designs for free from [HERE & NOW](#) in collaboration with [ELGT](#)

## In the rain and sunshine



Volunteering Matters Action Earth



# Old Burial Ground



## Another corner or 2



# Planters



Crocus from Leith Rotary to aid Polio

## All the helpers

- Corporate teams from Tesco Bank, DWP, Scottish Government, Scottish Power, JumpStart, Fetfes College, Whitespace
- Park Rangers
- ELGT
- Local people
- Trinity Academy & Victoria Primary
- RHS
- Starbank Park
- Murrison
- Edinburgh Airport
- CSGN/ Greggs
- CEC/NEP
- RHS Chelsea Flower Show
- RHS Hampton Court
- Redhall Garden Centre
- Granton Hub garden
- Thistle Foundation
- Men of Leith Mens Shed
- Edinburgh Tool Library
- Here & Now
- University of Edinburgh students
- Victoria Primary After School Club
- TCV
- Woodland Trust and gifts of trees
- Power of Food festival



Always hard at work and real crops

