

Dalbeattie Primary's Museum of the Future

Name of Archaeologist: Mrs Howie

Find Location: End Shell Beach, Kippford

Date of Find: September 2223

Method of Excavation: The item was spotted tangled amongst seaweed washed up on the beach.

Likely Value: £500



FIND REPORT

Description:

The item is a small piece of curved, moulded material. It is pale blue but may have faded over the years, having been a much brighter colour originally. It has a plastic coating over an unknown inner layer. The fragment appears to have been shaped for a specific purpose and is thought to be broken from a larger object. Its appearance would suggest it has been tossed about in rough seas for many hundreds of years.

Age: Thought to date from the year 1993 so approximately 230 years old made from a form of plastic, which was not used later than the year 2123.

Likely Use or Purpose of the Item: The curved shape of the item leads us to believe this is part of the rim of a large ceremonial serving dish. It is believed that in the early 21st century, approximately 200 years ago, children attended schools for their education. This pot would have been used on school trips to the local beaches when seaweed stew would have been made in a metal pot, over a campfire by the teacher and then served to the pupils as a traditional dish on school outings in the Galloway area. The object is now preserved and being prepared for exhibition in the school's Future Museum.

(P.S: *As a person actually living in the year 2023, this item is thought to be broken from the rim of a sailing dinghy, perhaps used by local cadets who broke the edge of their boat during a collision with a rock? It looks like it has been weathered by the sea for some time.)*