

Dalbeattie Primary's Museum of the Future

Name of Archaeologist: Mrs Howie

Find Location: End Shell Beach, Kippford

Date of Find: September 2323

Method of Excavation: The item was spotted, partially protruding from a steep sand and shell bank.

Likely value: £1000



FIND REPORT

Description:

The item is a flat, fragment of faded turquoise blue plastic. It is thin and has some raised lines or grooves. Its uneven edges look like it must be broken from a larger object. Its appearance would suggest some time in the water or sand because the plastic now seems quite brittle.

Age: This is thought to date from the year 2011 so it is now approximately 300 years old. The material used (very expensive plastic) became very rare in the 2020s and was not used beyond 2040. As an expensive form of plastic, this broken fragment may well have come from a plate in a very expensive set of dishes owned by a very wealthy family.

Likely Use or Purpose of the Item: The flat but thin shape of the item leads us to believe this is a broken fragment which may well have come from a plate in a very expensive set of dishes owned by a very wealthy family. This form of plastic became so special and rare that it would have become very expensive to use. It may even have formed part of a ceremonial plate in a religious ceremony. 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 flat part of a child's cheap plastic spade or frisbee toy for playing on the local beaches.)