

# **Strategic Digital PR Plan**



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## Glossary

AB – Aberdeen Inspired DA – Domain Authority

- GB Greyhope Bay
- HCB Highlander Café Bus



- HRP Household Reference Person
- P&J Press and Journal
- PR Public Relation
- SEO Search Engine Optimisation
- TA Target Audience



## Section 1. Understand

### A. Digital PR Business Objective

As stated by Fiona McIntyre during the initial meeting (Client Video Meeting, 2022), Greyhope Bay (GB) is located on the south side of the Aberdeen Harbour, a not very well-known location as it is disconnected from the city. Therefore, the main objective of the Digital PR plan is to increase the visibility of this zone, resulting in raising awareness among the target audience. This is to be able to turn the area around Torry Battery into a place where the people from Aberdeen can go to enjoy the view and to honour the history of this place, since it was used during World War II, as emergency housing.

However, the Digital PR strategy is also based on an educational and informative goal, as it is by letting the audience know about all the positive things the company does that it is possible to attract and engage it. Thus, generating a positive sentiment about the brand, which allows to increase loyalty and to ensure Greyhope Bay remains in the public's mind (OneIMS, 2019).

### B. Target Audience Definition

Aberdeen City Council, in its last update in June 2021, stated that compared to 2001 the number of households in Aberdeen City has increased by 12.3%, making it the 8<sup>th</sup> highest number of households in 2020 in Scotland (Aberdeen City Council, 2021).

Furthermore, between 2018 and 2028, the number of households in Aberdeen is expected to grow from 107,586 to 110,884. This is an increase of 3.1%, which compares to a projected rise of 4.9% for Scotland as a whole.

In terms of size, the 35-39 and 40-44 groups are forecast to witness some of the largest percentage increases (14.6% and 27.8%) in terms of the age group of a Household Reference Person (HRP) (Aberdeen City Council, 2018).

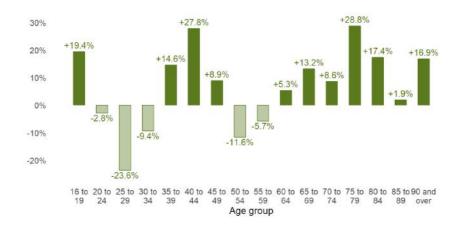


Figure 1: Percentage change in the projected number of HRPs, 2018-2028

In addition, childcare development is particularly important to consider because during the COVID-19 lockdown schools and most of the recreational activities for children were closed. Indeed, the average time spent on childcare development as the main activity among the population with children took place on 48% of diary days for men and 39% for women (Scottish Government, 2020).

In 2021, the age group identified (35-44) has as their second most common leisure activity away from home going to visitor attractions (29%) that are outdoors (35%), close to where they live (33%), and represent an escape from technology (38%). Furthermore, after the coronavirus pandemic, 28% of this age group aim to spend more time with their family (Mintel, 2021).

Looking at the "*Mintel Global Consumer Trend 2022"* report it is also relevant to note that consumers have a strong desire to return to pre-pandemic hobbies and to enjoy new experiences that have been limited to them for a long time. Therefore, it is important to offer activities that anticipate consumers' wish for fun and novelty by providing entertaining experiences (Mintel, 2021).

Another additional key information that has contributed to the definition of the target audience (TA), is that Mintel in the "*Families – UK – January 2020*" report



describes that 53% of families (between 35-54) chose "spending time outdoors" as an activity to do during a typical week with their children (Mintel, 2020).

Based on the crucial data above, the target audience selected for this Digital PR strategy is parents between 35-44 years old with their children based in Aberdeen, Scotland (Appendix 24: Audience persona).

## C. Digital PR Solution

Enabling the company to build brand awareness and visibility means establishing strong relationships with its audience since this determines the success of a business (Fontanella, 2018).

Considering this and the fact that Greyhope Bay is a new Aberdeen activity that will open in March/April 2022 (Client Video Meeting, 2022), the Digital PR strategy primarily involves a relationship management solution. However, reputation management will also feature in the plan as it is essential to ensure that GB enjoys a positive public perception by being properly represented (Kalyadina, 2020).

Based on the key data outlined in the "*Target audience*" section, the Digital PR strategy will be about the leisure time that the parents wish to spend with their children, so it is essential to focus on connecting Greyhope Bay with the several families of Aberdeen.

To avoid the lack of motivation that can sometimes affect kids (ParentMap, 2021), this connection will be developed by starting from the children themselves; in particular, by involving a place that they all undoubtedly attend, the school.

For this reason, this Digital PR solution precisely involves a partnership between Primary Schools in Aberdeen and Greyhope Bay.

Indeed, interactive videos will be created to be shown in schools, in order to engage and attract the kids to the new venue. The Greyhope Bay mascot (Dot the Dolphin), who will accompany the young visitors during the multiple events organised, will also be involved, because children need to watch entertaining and motivating videos to keep their attention high (McLean, 2020).

Videos will represent the first campaign tactic because they are a versatile and engaging content format that allows users to increase their understanding of the company's service/product (Hayes, 2019).

Additionally, as society becomes increasingly dependent on technology, schools are investing more time and money in exploiting it as a means of communication (Lester, 2017). Particularly, one of the most popular contact options between schools and families is email, since with free and easy email services it is possible for both parents and teachers to give better and faster responses, at any time of the day (Lester, 2017).

Considering this and the partnership mentioned above, the schools will once again be harnessed to send an email with an eye-catching flyer, provided by GB, to families. Thus, the email will contain an infographic showing them the different activities that Greyhope Bay offers, thereby creating curiosity. It will also include an invitation to sign up for the client's newsletter to get a free coffee menu, which will entice parents to go to the company's website and subscribe. This is because 86.1% of parents say they prefer to receive digital flyers, rather than paper ones (Peachjar, 2022).

The 35-44 age group, or rather the one chosen to target, is the highest email consumer in the UK, as 82% of them send or receive email weekly (Zivkovic, 2021). Taking this into account, emails will continue to be employed in this Digital PR strategy to keep parents up to date about the latest Greyhope Bay news or events to provide them with new ideas to enjoy different experiences with their kids.

In fact, since Digital PR is a strategic communication process that aims to build a mutually beneficial relationship between a brand and its public, email marketing is one of the main tools to communicate straight with the audience, giving it pertinent and valuable information in a time-efficient manner (Campaign Monitor, 2020).



Moreover, Digital PR is also relevant to directly outreach the public by creating a dialogue with it (Digital Marketing Institute, 2018) and building its loyalty through storytelling content (The Business of Story, 2019).

Indeed, the plan will further include the use of Greyhope Bay's social media platforms since they allow the company to converse and interact with the audience, listen to what it needs and wants, and monitor the brand reputation (Digital Marketing Institute, 2018).

In this regard, influencer marketing will likewise be part of the strategy in order to improve the brand image and increase the trust of the public, thus raising the desire to find out more with a consequent boost in traffic to GB's website (Red Havas UK, 2021).

In conclusion, considering that the goal of journalists is to "Inform, educate, entertain" (BBC Mission, 2018) and the favourable relationship GB has with them (Client Video Meeting, 2022), this Digital PR solution will also involve writing press releases to achieve the main Digital PR business objectives.

## D. Competitor PR Analysis

The competitors were chosen according to what Fiona McIntyre stated during the initial meeting (Client Video Meeting, 2022), specifically that the main competitors are other coffee shops along the Aberdeen beach, that people already know about.

Criteria	Competitor 1	Competitor 2
Business Name	Foodstory.Hut, the beach location	Highlander Café Bus (HCB)
Dusiness Name	of Foodstory.	
URL	https://foodstorycafe.co.uk/	https://coffeebusbeach.com/
Web Content	There is only the main Foodstory	The content on the HCB's website
	website and not a specific one for	only concerns the food and drink
	Foodstory.hut, so it will be the one	menu with the possibility of ordering
	analysed.	through the site (Appendix 7),
		therefore it is addressed to the
	The content published on the	public.
	website is aimed at the public, as it	
	mainly shows the services,	HCB also has a section for reviews,
	activities offered, and the	but it is empty (Appendix 8).
	sustainability carried out by	However, it has some reviews on
	Foodstory (Appendix 1).	Google My Business, so the company
		should incorporate Google reviews
	The "Recipes and nutrition" section	on this specific webpage. This is
	could be interesting to engage users	because almost 9/10 of consumers
	with recipes or articles on nutrition	said that an online review is as
	advice, but it has not been updated	important as a personal
	since <u>April 2020</u> .	recommendation and 72% of them
		take an action only after reading a
	Some links on the website do not	positive comment (Saleh, 2015).
	work as shown in Appendix 2.	
	Depending videon in the "Cooling	
	Regarding videos, in the "Cooking	
	and Coffee" section Foodstory	
	uploaded a few videos from its	

	<ul> <li>YouTube channel (like this <u>one</u>), while in other sections there are other videos, but from different YouTube channels, e.g. about yoga sessions or reggae music.</li> <li>The overall website does not like up to date, but this is a key aspect as an updated website help to build trust with customers and domain authority (DA) (Vermette, 2016).</li> </ul>	
Digital Pre Content	<ul> <li>3.9k (Moz, 2022) with national and local coverage (Appendix 3).</li> <li>Example: <ul> <li><u>The Guardian</u></li> <li><u>The BBCGoodFood</u></li> <li><u>The Press and Journal</u></li> </ul> </li> <li>The publications have links to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(Moz, 2022) with mostly local coverage (Appendix 9).</li> <li>Example: <ul> <li><u>VisitAberdeenshire</u></li> <li><u>The Press and Journal</u></li> </ul> </li> <li>The publications have links to HCB's website and social media platforms (Appendix 10) and they are mostly informative as they provide a</li> </ul>
Social Med Press	<ul> <li>As with the website, the social media accounts are for the main Foodstory location, except for Instagram where there is a specific page for FoodStory.Hut (Appendix 5).</li> <li>Facebook and Instagram: yes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Facebook and Instagram: yes</li> <li>HCB uses often these channels, posting various videos and images that show the food and drinks it offers, but repurposing the same content on Facebook and Instagram, as these two links demonstrate:</li> </ul>

Foodstory publishes almost daily on	• <u>Instagram</u>
these platforms, with more images	<u>Facebook</u>
than videos.	
	- <b>Twitter</b> : yes
They are mainly about food and the	HCB has not published here since
"menu of the day" (Appendix 6),	October 2020, like Foodstory, hence
behind the scenes, and nice pictures	see the "Social Media Press" section
of the locations. Only on Facebook,	of Foodstory.
there is also content about events	
at the main venue.	
Not always correct use of hashtags	
(Appendix 6), therefore to be	
improved, as they are essential to	
allow the right people to reach the	
company's content, thus boosting	
likes, views, and shares (O'Brien,	
2022).	
- Twitter and YouTube: yes	
Twitter has not been used since	
March 2021, while the last video on	
YouTube was four years ago. The	
suggestions here can be two-fold:	
• Post more regularly as it	
helps the business to increase brand awareness	
and loyalty, but it also	
enhances search engine	
rankings (Wigield, 2021).	
• It is not necessary to be on	
every social media platform,	
so perhaps for FoodStory a	
Facebook and Instagram	
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## E. Client Digital PR Audit

Criteria	Client	
Web Content	Current Outputs	
- The content published	1. <u>Educative content</u>	
on the client's website	2. Short videos by local filmmaker	
can be defined as	3. <u>Informative article</u>	
informative and		
educational.	<u>Recommendations</u>	
	- The " <i>Journal"</i> section seems to be the	
- Content is directed	website's blog (Appendix 11), but any	
towards the public,	content must always include main	
rather than the press,	elements, such as:	
to let it knows about	Valuable headline.	
the latest initiatives,	<ul> <li>Useful subtitles to split the page and</li> </ul>	
the story of the place	make it more visually appealing.	
or how to be part of	Powerful call to action.	
the GB community.	Relevant internal link.	
	(Totka, 2018)	
- They often use videos		
on the website, also	<ul> <li>Consider restructuring the website to try to</li> </ul>	
collaborating with	synthesise the information and make it	
students or	more UX-centric. In this way, navigation	
professionals to do so.	will be more intuitive and consistent,	
	allowing users to find information easier	
	(McConnell, 2021).	
	- Every page in the "Journal" section has a	
	part to be deleted at the end (Appendix	
	12).	
Digital Press Content	Current Outputs	
- 141 inbound links to	- The Press and Journal	
the GB homepage	- <u>Aberdeen Live</u>	

(Moz, 2022) with local	- <u>The Guardian</u>
and national coverage	- <u>Aberdeen &amp; Grampian Chamber of</u>
(Appendix 13).	<u>Commerce</u>
- The online articles are	<u>Recommendations</u>
mostly informative,	- Except for the "The Press and Journal"
explaining what	case, Greyhope Bay should try to maintain
Greyhope Bay is and	a relationship with the journalists who have
what the project	already mentioned it once through
behind it is.	interacting, e.g. following on social media
	and commenting on their articles. Since
- Only The Press and	successful media coverage is not a one-off,
Journal uses links to	but it is about finding a way to facilitate
the client's website	ongoing coverage for the company (Patel,
that work effectively.	2015).
Social Media Press	Current Outputs
- Facebook and	- <u>Facebook</u>
Instagram: yes	- <u>Twitter</u>
Frequently used platforms,	- <u>Instagram</u>
but almost all the posts on	
them are equivalent. They	<u>Recommendations</u>
are mostly about company	Facebook, Instagram
updates and news, job	- Increase the use of video posts since they
opportunities, and sharing	have the highest organic engagement on
nice pictures of the venue,	Facebook, 13.9% (Dodds, 2020) and 21%
taken by GB or users.	more interactions than images on
	Instagram (Brooks, 2019).
Using of highlights on	
Instagram.	- GB can exploit the cross-posting tactic, but
	each content must respect the
- Twitter: yes	requirements of each platform.
Some of the posts are the	Conversely, posting identical content on
same as those on Facebook,	different social media without modifying it

so mainly informative, and use images or retweets of people who have mentioned GB.

### - LinkedIn and YouTube: yes

GB utilises these platforms more sporadically than others (both were last updated two months ago). for the specific characteristics of those platforms, can make GB appear amateurish, robotic, or untrustworthy, causing audience boredom and making the social media strategy flat (Beveridge, 2021).

- Considering that Instagram is a visual-first network, it is important to always maintain high-quality images and videos (Sprout Social, 2019).
- Evaluating contests and challenges, in order to involve the audience and enhance the sense of community (Lee, 2021).

### Twitter

- As shown in the example above, GB does not always use hashtags, but it should as they are one of the main features of Twitter. Indeed, Twitter with appropriate hashtags gets 100% more engagement (Kolowich, 2021).
- They should tweet more often as the best practice for Twitter is 1-2 per day (McLachlan, 2021).

### LinkedIn

 Considering the main business objective of the company, GB should increase the use of LinkedIn since it would give the chance to build credibility and expertise, which is



	important especially for the press and its	
	reputation (Martin, 2022).	
	YouTube	
	- Since videos represent an important initial	
	part of the strategy (see p.6), YouTube	
	should be leveraged more to help to create	
	a community with the chosen target	
	audience by sharing videos that keep it	
	engaged.	
	• Example: footage of events for	
	family memories or publishing new	
	videos such as those shown at	
	school for the kids.	
	Additionally, to enhance SEO and overall	
	online presence (Business Queensland,	
	2022).	
Other	Current Outputs	
GB on the website also offers	Appendix 20.	
the possibility to subscribe to		
the <b>newsletter</b> service.	<u>Recommendations</u>	
	- 61% of users declared they would like to	
	receive at least one email per week and the	
	best day to send it is Monday	
	(CampaignMonitor, 2022), so GB should	
	consider sending its newsletter once a	
	week on Mondays (Appendix 21).	



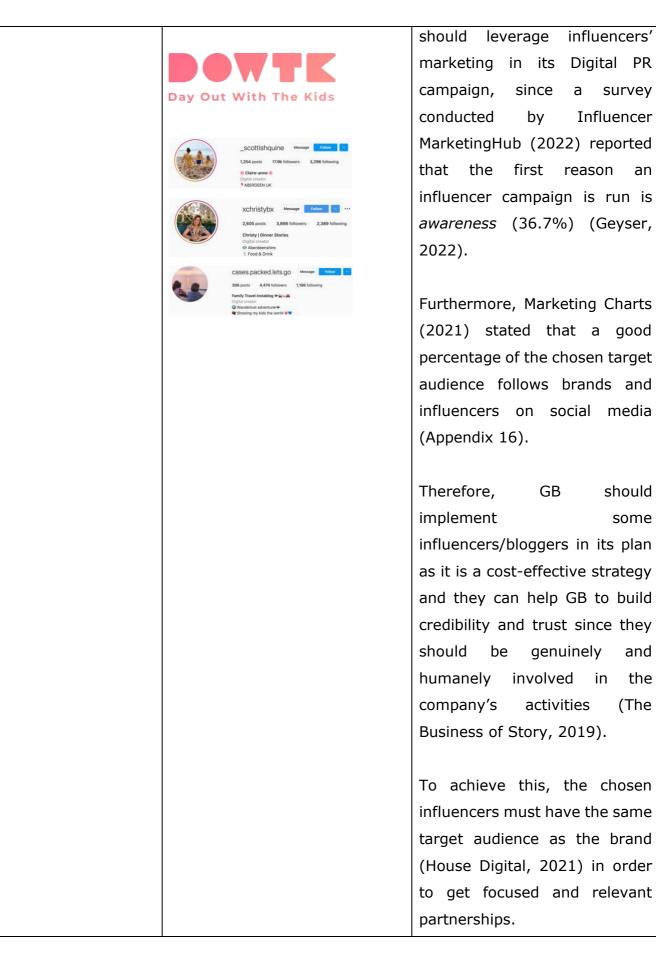
## F. PR Partner Analysis

Type of Site	Site Name	Justification
Mainstream		- GB should maintain its
National/Local	The Press and Iournal	relationship with <b>The</b>
Press		Press and Journal,
		despite already having
		multiple mentions
		(Appendix 14), because
		it is a daily regional
		newspaper serving GB's
		area of interest, northern
		and highland Scotland,
		with a DA of 77, regarded
		as excellent (Vivian,
		2019).
		Thus, obtaining backlinks
		from P&J is beneficial for
		the DA and SEO rankings
		of GB (Patel, 2017).
		Furthermore, the
		second-highest
		percentage of P&J
		readers coincides with
		the 35-44 age group
		(Media Pack, 2014), the
	National press, such as:	one chosen as TA
		(Appendix 15).
	THE SCOTSMAN	
	SCITULAD'S AUTORAL INVERSES	- Establishing strong
		relationships with the
	Daily 💐	national press can also
	Record	ensure that GB increases



	The Herald	its credibility and authenticity (3E PR, 2019).
Independent Media/Niche Websites	POST	<ul> <li>Post is a platform offering Aberdeen residents a space where share their stories.</li> <li>Having the largest Twitter community in Aberdeen (Post, 2022), Post can be a valuable opportunity for GB to make the new centre known, thus attracting people to Torry Battery.</li> </ul>
	ABERDEEN INSIDESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT	- <b>Aberdeen Inspired</b> (AB) is an organisation that aims to provide initiatives and improvements to the city of Aberdeen.
		Therefore, creating a relationship between GB and AB could help the client reach even more Aberdeen's families, since AB boasts 9,467 followers on Instagram, 10,016 on Twitter, and 17,650 on Facebook.
Blogs/Influencers		Considering the main business objective mentioned on p.4, GB





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For this reason, the suggestions
on the left are all relevant ones
for the TA:
- Day out with the kids
is a blog that provides
lots of different ideas on
how to spend family days
out around the UK.
Scottishquine and
Cases.packed.lets.go
are mums based in
Aberdeen that show their
life.
- Xchristybx is a blogger
girl based in Aberdeen
with a passion for food,
drink, and travel.
Except for DOWTK, all of them
belong to the nano-influencer
category (1,000-10,000
followers).
Despite being the influencers'
category with the fewest
followers, it has the highest
engagement rate, 8.8%, which
together with the fact that it is
also the most affordable,
represents the best choice for a
new small business (Sanders,
2020).



Social Media		Considering that Mintel (2022)
		reported that the most used
		platforms within the 35-44 age
		group in the last 3 months are
	a	Facebook, Instagram, and
		YouTube (Appendix 17), the
		advice is to focus primarily on
		these, although GB is already
		using other social media
		channels as well, as mentioned
		in the "Client Digital PR Audit".
Other		- As 90% of the UK
		population listens to the
	NORTHSOUND 1	radio for more than 20
		hours each week
		(Relations Group, 2022),
		it is a valuable tool to
		increase visibility and
		awareness, resulting in
		improved SEO and social
		media engagement
		(Ravenscroft, 2022).
		In particular, the ideal
		radio station for GB
		would be Northsound 1
		as it has 133,000 total
		listeners per week
		(Media.info, 2021) and
		its target audience is
		between 25-45 years old
		(GetMeMedia.com,
		2010).







# Section 2. Plan

## A. Digital PR Recommendations

	Ideas	Explanation
Short-term recommendations	<ol> <li>Produce video content to share in schools.</li> <li>Create a digital infographic flyer to be shared via email with families, through schools.</li> </ol>	PR solution" and "Client Digital PR Audit" for justifications about video in schools and
	3. Set up a more frequent and dynamic newsletter marketing plan.	2. Since the human attention span is only 8 seconds (Doyle, 2017), the infographic was chosen because it allows the message to get across faster and more effectively, as it is visually appealing. It also helps the brand to tell its story, leading parents to act and improving the chances of sharing the content (Alves, 2022).

Medium-term	1. Increase Facebook	1 Blazza cao "Sacial
		1. Please see " <i>Social</i>
recommendations	and Instagram	Media Press" (p.14)
	engagement through	for explanation.
	more videos, high-	
	quality images,	2. A regularly
	contests, and events.	published, high-
		quality blog with
	2. Improve the " <i>Journal"</i>	images, keywords,
	section (blog) on the	and useful content
	website by adding	for the TA helps SEO
	relevant content more	and brand loyalty.
	frequently (Appendix	Considering GB's
	18).	first goal and its
		business size
	3. Establish	(Appendix 19), it
	relationships with	should publish one
	nano-influencers or	blog per week
	bloggers to create	(Carmicheal, 2022).
	content on-site, on	
	social media, or for a	3. Involving
	guest blog.	influencers/bloggers
		in a Digital PR
	4. Ensure that each	strategy is
	press release is	important, especially
	digitally optimised.	to aid brand
	5 7 1	awareness,
		credibility, and
		reputation
		(Sessionmedia,
		2022) by sharing
		valuable content.
		Please see the
		"Blog/Influencers"
		(p.18) for more.



		<ol> <li>To increase its chances of being published, a digital press release must have a specific format (Bircham, 2022), such as containing images, links, social buttons,</li> </ol>
		headline, quotes, and contact (B2Press, 2022).
Long-term recommendations	<ol> <li>Restructuring the website to guarantee better navigation.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Please see "Web Content" (p.13) for justification.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>Establish social media relationships with journalists, by commenting or reposting their content.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Please see recommendations in "Digital Press Content" (p.13) for justification.</li> <li>Please see "Social</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>Improve the YouTube channel by adding new, high-quality content.</li> </ol>	<i>Media Press"</i> (p.14) and " <i>Social Media"</i> (p.21) for justification.



### **B. SMART Objective Planning**

#### Smart Objective 1

Increase the number of newsletter subscriptions from the website by 20%, by the end of 2022.

#### Smart Objective 2

Increase Instagram and Facebook engagement by 15% through the creation of more interactive content such as videos or contests by the end of summer 2022.

#### Smart Objective 3

Gain 6 new authority backlinks (3 from local/national press and 3 from bloggers/influencers) by the end of 2022.

### C. Content Planner

Please see Appendix 22.

## D. Editorial Calendar

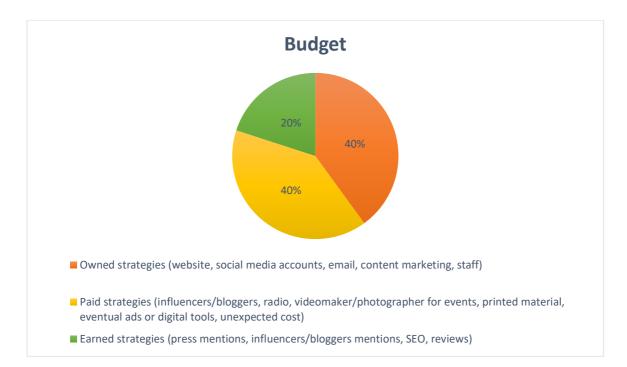
The channels chosen for the Editorial Calendar are mostly based on the recommendations made in this strategic Digital PR plan, thus preferring the website, the newsletter, Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.

However, and considering that Greyhope Bay also has a LinkedIn and Twitter account, the schedule includes a post once a week on these platforms as well.

In addition to the Editorial Calendar, Greyhope Bay should also leverage Instagram and Facebook stories to engage more with users through daily publications (e.g. sharing content where people tag it), thereby offering a more personal way of interacting with the audience (Chickering, 2022).

Furthermore, it is specified that the creation of this Editorial Calendar took place before the actual opening of the new venue.

Please see Appendix 23.



### E. Cost Breakdown



# Section 3. Create

### A. Press Release (300-400 words)

#### **EMBARGOED FOR:**

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**CONTACT:** [Contact's name and title]

**ORGANISATION:** Greyhope Bay

**EMAIL:** hello@greyhopebay.com

WEB: <u>www.greyhopebay.com</u>

# Aberdeen Primary Schools partner with Greyhope Bay to revitalise the family leisure time

#### Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, 09th May 2022

Aberdeen Primary Schools are lending their voice to Greyhope Bay's Digital PR campaign, which focuses on reaching Aberdonian families, particularly the 35-44 age group chosen as the target audience, to enable them to discover new educational and creative ways of spending time with their children (insert <u>link</u> to Greyhope Bay calendar activities).

Since the Coronavirus, childcare has become an even more essential part of daily life for almost half of all households in Scotland.

The closure of schools has had a major impact on the daily lives of families, who now just want to spend their time outdoors having fun experiences with their kids.

Greyhope Bay stated: "We offer a year-round mix of outdoor, creative and educational programmes".

Considering the new needs of families post COVID-19, the new charitable organisation has all the attributes to be a key place for Aberdeen families to spend

their free time doing something close to where they live, but away from the technology that accompanied most quarantine days.

Thus, the support of schools aims to help the Greyhope Bay campaign to:

- Attract children to the new place through videos shown in schools (insert <u>link</u> to the videos created).
- Encourage Aberdonian parents to visit the new centre by giving them new ideas on how to spend leisure time.
- Promote eco-sustainable activities to help improve the city and the marine world.

Therefore, the campaign intends to raise awareness of the new activity, in particular by showing the many engaging educational and interactive opportunities it offers.

The campaign will take place mainly on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and through emails from the opening of the venue in April 2022 to the end of October's school holidays (around the end of October). For more information, visit www.greyhopebay.com.

#### END OF PRESS RELEASE

#### **NOTE TO EDITORS:**

• If publishing online, please include a link to the organisation's website at the end of the article: <a href="https://www.greyhopebay.com">www.greyhopebay.com</a>

Greyhope Bay is a charitable organization based on the south side of Aberdeen Harbour, near Torry Battery. The center is an off-grid ecological facility featuring a café with views of dolphins and various activities to engage Aberdeen residents in an educational way.



## B. Shareable Blog Article (300-400 words)

## What is Greyhope Bay?

#### A big welcome to you

After years of preparation and construction, the long-awaited date has arrived and Greyhope Bay is finally open and operational, so we want to start by giving you a big welcome!

Probably if you are here, it means that you have found out about our new centre, but you do not know exactly what it is.

If so, you've come to the right place!



### Why?

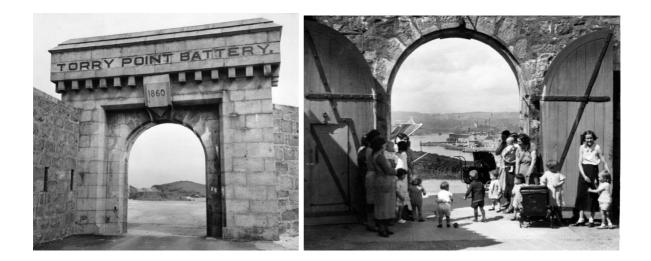
Fiona McIntyre, the founder, established this **charitable organisation** in 2016 with the main ambition of highlighting the incredible **coastal environment** and **marine wildlife**.

We don't know what you've already heard about our new activity, however, it's important to note that Greyhope Bay is not just a café with a beautiful view, BUT it aims to create a space for Aberdeen residents to connect and experience our



**natural heritage**, thus creating more opportunities for the city by making it part of a unique project.

Indeed, the location of our centre is no coincidence, as it is close to **Torry Battery**, an area whose history we want to preserve as it was used during the Second World War as emergency housing.



### Let's discover more

Having introduced in general what Greyhope Bay is, we would now like to guide you through the different specific and unique features of the organisation.

- 1. Sustainability
- 2. Dolphin view
- 3. Café
- 4. Community

We'll cover the first two points in this specific article, so stay tuned to learn more about what the café and community benefits of Greyhope Bay are as well.

Afraid you'll miss the next article? Don't worry, we'll remind you, just sign up for our **newsletter** <u>here</u>.



### 1. Sustainability

Greyhope Bay is an "off-grid" **eco-friendly** facility based on the idea of reusing shipping containers, finished with wood cladding.



In this way, the centre will support the circular economy, as by **recycling** the materials we can reduce the overall carbon footprint of the project and at the same time make it more accessible.

Do you know that our café is totally **plastic-free**?

So, when you come to visit us, you will leave with a great sense of contribution of keeping our oceans and environment clean. Do you know a better feeling?

If you are interested in being on the front line to ensure a change in our city, click <u>here</u> to become a new member of our exclusive crew and discover all its benefits.

## 2. Dolphin view

The area of Torry Battery is considered one of the best places in Scotland to see Blue Nose **dolphins** and Minke **whales**.

What does this mean?

Now that the centre is finally open, you and your family will be able to enjoy a tasty snack while viewing these incredible cetaceans in comfort from Aberdeen for the first time.

Learn more about the different types and characteristics of animals that can be seen swimming in the sea reading this <u>article</u> on our website.



As you have probably guessed, Greyhope Bay is much more than just a standalone building. Rather, it is a **multi-layered experience** for visitors that allows them to interact with the community in a variety of ways.

Visit our <u>website</u> to explore many new aspects and opportunities that Greyhope Bay offers your family.



(The blog article only covered two of the four bullet points listed below mainly to respect the word limit, but also as a strategy to entice the reader to read the next article as well).

# C. Shareable Infographic (A4 page) or Digital Video (Max 1 Minute)

Please see the "Greyhope Bay infographic" PDF.

### D. Social Media Copy

- Twitter

II IT'S FINALLY OPEN

Greyhope Bay has opened its doors to you 🔆

Already heard of **#GreyhopeBay**, but don't know exactly what it offers?

Our latest article "What is Greyhope Bay?" is out on the website, let's read it to find out more <a>

#aberdeen #sustainability #dolphin

(Insert link to blog article)



### - Facebook

I Families of Aberdeen attention I

The long-awaited date has arrived 📆 and #GreyhopeBay has finally opened its doors to you and your children 🚼

Looking for something different and unique in #Aberdeen to enjoy time with your #family?

Sign up for our newsletter 🦂

Why?

Because you will immediately receive a special flyer with the various creative and educational experiences we offer to have fun with your children 20, and also an exclusive discount 20

- (Insert link to newsletter subscription)

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## Appendix

### Appendix 1



Home Café Menu Recipes & Nutrition Cooking & Coffee Reggae Radio Arts & Crafts Yoga & Meditation Our Story Gift Vouchers Zero Waste Cafe Contact



Figure 2: Main menu of Foodstory's website

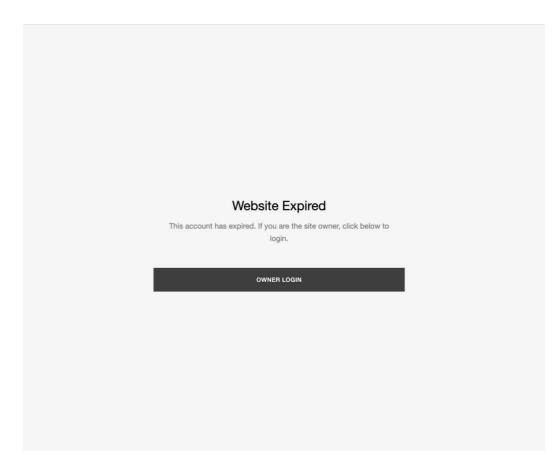


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Foodstory Casual dining, cheap eats, kid-friendly



Foodstory offers healthy eating with flavour and flair. Head here for locally sourced food, tasty brewed coffee and regular events including yoga and life drawing classes. It makes for a great alternative stop in the city centre. Lunch from £4.50.

Figure 6: Link on BBCGoodFood's website to Foodstory's website



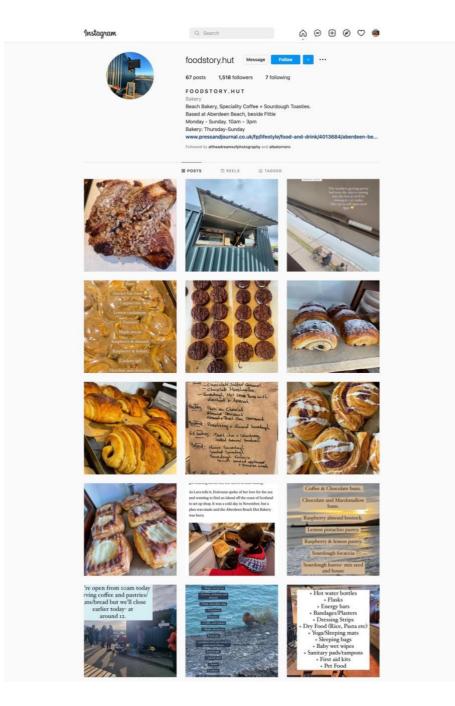


Figure 7: Foodstory.hut Instagram page





Figure 8: Foodstory content on the Facebook page

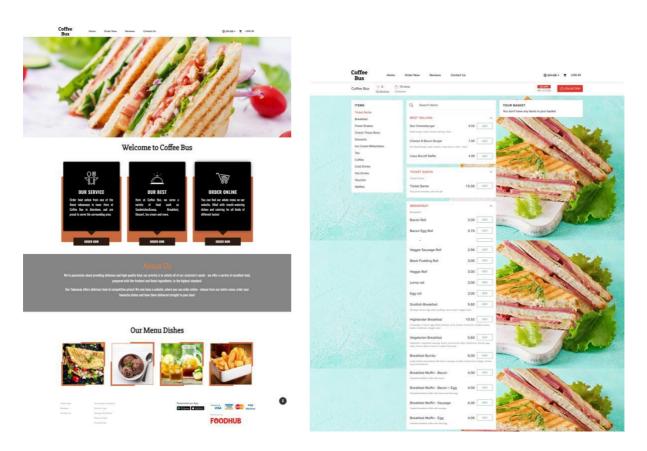
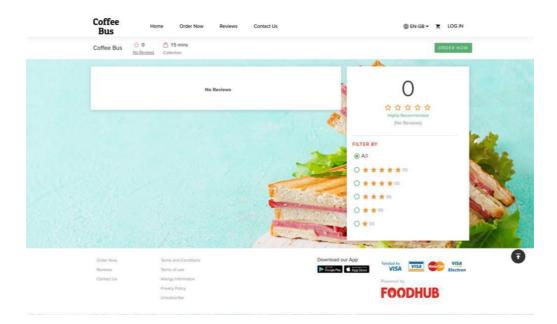


Figure 9: Higlander Cafè Bus website





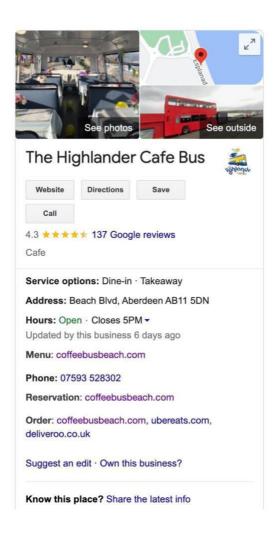


Figure 10: Highlander Café Bus's reviews on the website and Google



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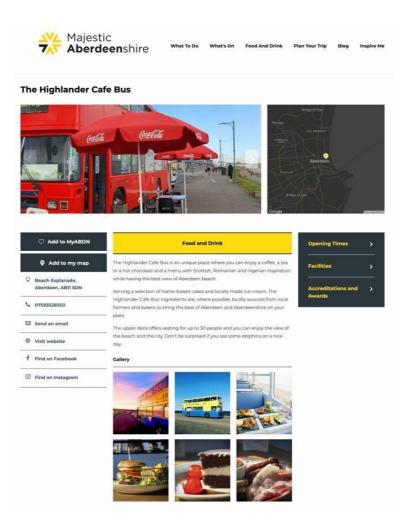
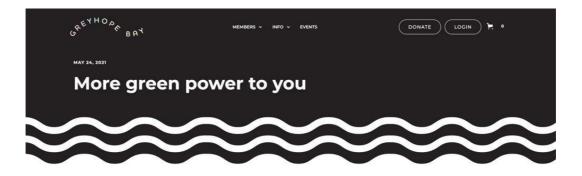


Figure 13: Link on VisitAberdeenshire website to Highlander Café Bus's website and social media





Fiona and Carole were welcomed by the JCE Energy team at the JCE Group workshop earlier this month to broadcast to 15 classrooms around the NE of Scotland as part TechFest's Early Years and Primary Progamme. Together they showcased the solar panels, the batteries they will charge, and cutting edge tech that are getting ready to go to site at Torry Battery and provide green power to our off-grid café and community space.

TechFest, whose focus is on bringing real-life STEM education to kids, has gone digital this year making it possible for over 400 kids to tune-in and learn about our green energy power system. That would have been a tight fit in-person!

A big thank you to everyone at JCE Group and TechFest for making it all possible and a huge thank you to the teachers and students for their brilliant questions! You can see some of them below.



Fiona with Marco and Jim from the JCE Energy, getting ready to go live and stream from the workshop

The students had many interesting questions for us. Here are a few taken from our Q&A !

If you shone a torch at a solar panel, would it create electricity? Yes, but not as much as natural light

How much do the solar panels weigh? Each individual solar panel weighs around 15 KG, like your average Cocker Spaniel

How powerful are the solar panels? Each panel produces 250W, enough power to use your x-box, or laptop for 8 hrs

Can you use the batteries more than once? How long do they last? Yes, they can be recharged over and over again for 9-10 years. They can provide power for up to 2 days depending how much power we use at the café

What happens if it's not sunny? The solar panels can still continue to charge on a cloudy day as long as there is light





#### IT CAN BE DONE!

You may have seen the news - on Thursday last week, we initiated step one of our build programme with **Greenwell Equipment** donating two 40 ft shipping containers to the project, **Colin Lawson Transport** offering transport to pick up the containers and deliver them to the **Dynamix Modular** workshop in Arbroath where the next step will be transformation into a cafe and education space!

Step one has already created an exceptional buzz around Aberdeen with front page news, trends on social media and our contributing organisations enjoying banding together to make this project a reality.

Dean Berry from **NorDan UK** who are contributing all windows and doors for the facility, expressed his delight: (from left) Fiona with Richy (Greenwell Equipement), Bryan (Dynamix Modular), and Jodie (Colin Lawson)

expressed his delight: "It is so encouraging to see everyone in the community give such positive praise. We always knew this would be a fantastic cause to be involved in but working with yourself and the other companies involved, makes it all worthwhile."

Read the article

A big thank you to all of our build team - visit Build It page



Figure 14: "Journal" section on Greyhope Bay's website



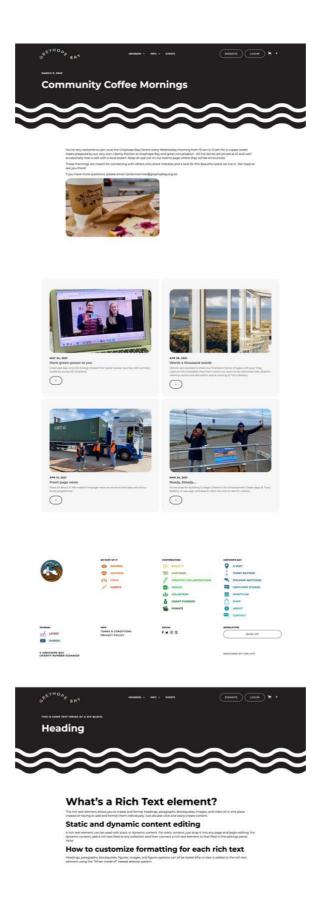


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Figure 16: Greyhope Bay inbound links

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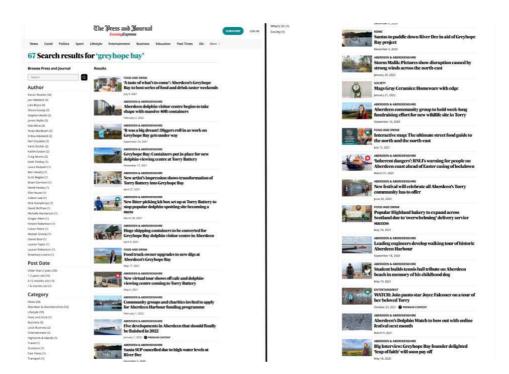
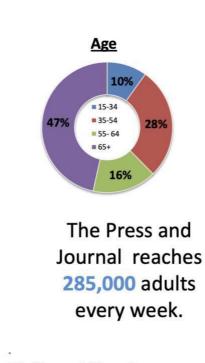


Figure 18: Press and Journal articles mentioning Greyhope Bay



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Figure 19: Press and Journal readers by age



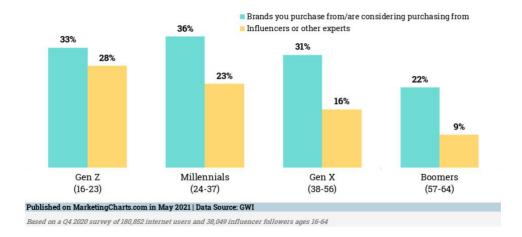


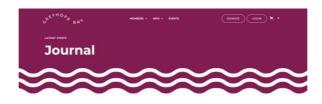
Figure 20: % in each generation who subscribe to the following social media accounts

#### Appendix 17

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Figure 21: Mintel - Social media platforms used in the last three months UK





Dive into our journey as the story evolves

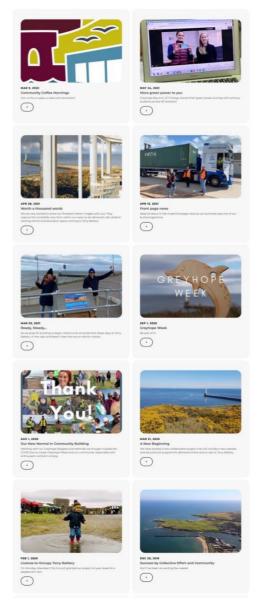


Figure 22: Journal section of Greyhope Bay's website





Figure 23: Hubspot's infographic on blog frequency



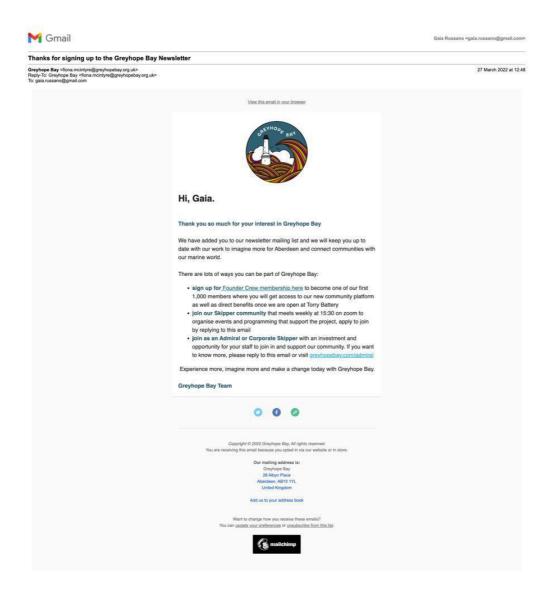


Figure 24: Greyhope Bay newsletter

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Figure 25: Greyhope Bay newsletter frequency



#### Appendix 22. Content Planner

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2. Digital flyer with an infographic	Title: Greyhope Bay: new activities in Aberdeen for you and your kids. Description: Digital flyer with an eye-	Digital flyer provided by Greyhope Bay to Aberdeen Primary Schools to be sent to	The Conversion Rate (% of new subscriptions to the newsletter). The number of families that



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	send to parents'	emails.	discount for the
	emails.		free coffee
	It will show:		menu.
	- The different		
	creative and fun		
	activities that		
	families can do		
	together at the		
	new venue.		
	- An invitation		
	(link) to sign up		
	to the Greyhope		
	Bay newsletter		
	for a free coffee		
	menu.		
	Justification:		
	Considering the target		
	audience defined for		
	this Digital PR		
	strategy, this email is		
	the first step to make		
	parents aware of the		
	existence of Greyhope		
	Bay and get them		
	curious to subscribe to		
	the newsletter.		
3. Press	Title: Aberdeen	Sent to the local	Links and
release	Primary Schools	and national	mentions from
	partner with Greyhope	press.	the press.
	Bay to encourage and		
	introduce new	Own website.	
1			



	outdoor, creative, and		Time spent on
	educational activities		the website.
	in Aberdeen.		
			Number of page
	Description: This		views.
	press release provides		
	details of the new		Traffic source.
	digital PR campaign		
	that Greyhope Bay		
	has undertaken with		
	families as its target		
	audience.		
	Justification: Making		
	the press aware of the		
	schools' attention to		
	the new venue, giving		
	them all the		
	information to produce		
	online and offline		
	articles about it.		
4. Social	Title: A family contest	Social media.	Number of
media	to try to win 5 free		social media
contest	coffee menus!		mentions.
	Description: The		Number of
	contest consists of		impressions
	taking a family photo		and visitors on
	with Dot the dolphin		social media
	and sharing it on		pages.
	social media by		
	tagging Greyhope Bay		Social media
			engagement



	for a chance to win 5 free coffee menus! Justification: The contest allows the production of user- generated content to get families more involved with Greyhope Bay.		(likes, shares, comments, and saves).
5. Video	Title: Moments together. Description: Video showing photos and clips of a specific Greyhope Bay event. Justification: Creating memories for the customers of Greyhope Bay, thus also building an	Social media. Own website.	Video views. Social media engagement (likes, shares, comments, and saves). Time spent on the website. CTR from social media to the
	emotional connection with the company.		website to find out more about other events.
6. Blog article	Title: What is Greyhope Bay. Description: Blog explaining why Greyhope Bay was	Own website. A snippet of the blog content to be published on social media.	Time spent on the website. Number of page views.



	born and its main		Social media
	features.		engagement
			(likes, shares,
	<b>Justification</b> :		comments, and
	Allowing users to		saves).
	better understand		
	what Greyhope Bay is		CTR from social
	all about, thus		media to the
	bringing out the		website to read
	humanity behind the		the full blog
	company, to create a		post.
	connection with it.		
7. Infographic	Title: Let's find out	Social media.	Social media
	more about the		engagement
	marine world.		(likes, shares,
			comments, and
	Description: This		saves).
	infographic will include		
	key and interesting		CTR from social
	information to help		media to
	people discover the		website to
	marine world.		understand
			more about
	Justification: To		Greyhope Bay.
	show that one of the		
	objectives of		
	Greyhope Bay is also		
	to provide educational		
	content, in this case		
	through a visual		
	element that can		
	capture attention		
	faster.		

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8. Press	Title: Greyhope Bay	Sent to the local	Links and
release	and its educational	and national	mentions from
	initiatives for the city	press.	the press.
	of Aberdeen.		
		Own website.	Time spent on
	Description:		the website.
	Providing information		
	about Greyhope Bay's		Number of page
	various educative		views.
	events to make people		
	and the press aware		Traffic source.
	of the great		
	contribution they can		
	make to their city.		
	Justification:		
	Building brand		
	awareness and		
	increasing its visibility		
	with the aim of		
	creating a community.		
9. Newsletter	Title: New events for	Email.	The Conversion
	your family!		Rate (% of
			people who sign
	Description: Email		up for any
	sent to the target		events).
	audience to give it		
	information on what		The number of
	the new events will		CTR from the
	be.		email to the
			website.
	Justification:		
	Keeping customers up		Opening rate.



	to date, providing them with personalised information, thus increasing their loyalty to Greyhope Bay.		Traffic source.
10. Guest	Title: The guest talks	Own website.	Time spent on
blog article	about his experience		the website.
	with Greyhope Bay.	A snippet of the	
		blog content to	Number of page
	Description:	be published on	views.
	Engaging a guest	social media.	
	relevant to the target		Social media
	audience to talk about	Social	engagement
	their positive	media/website	(likes, shares,
	experience with the	of the guest.	comments, and
	company.		saves).
	Justification:		CTR from social
	Building trust and		media to the
	credibility towards		website to read
	Greyhope Bay.		the full blog
			post.
			Traffic source.



### Appendix 23. Editorial Calendar

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 1	Video to be shown in	Social media	12pm	Social media	10am	Welcome	
	schools: "Let's explore	<b>post</b> : to show the	Blog post:	<b>post</b> : to show	Digital	to	
04.04 -	Greyhope Bay with	new location	about what is	partnership	optimised press	Greyhope	
10.04	Dot the dolphin"	finished and ready	Greyhope Bay –	with schools –	release: about	<i>Bay</i> <u>event</u>	
		for opening –	<u>website's blog</u>	<u>image</u>	the partnership		
	Digital flyer with an	<u>video</u>			with Aberdeen		
	infographic to be		2pm	12pm LinkedIn	Primary Schools –		
	sent to parents'	12pm Facebook	Share blog	6pm Twitter	<u>website + sent to</u>		
	emails: "Welcome to	<b>6pm</b> Instagram	<b>post</b> on social		local/national		
	Greyhope Bay!"		media – <u>image</u>		<u>press</u>		
			(Facebook)				
Week 2	10am newsletter:	Social media	12pm	12pm	12pm	Clean the	Easter <u>event</u>
	about the " <i>Clean the</i>	<b>post</b> : about the	Blog post:	Social media	YouTube video:	beach	
11.04 -	beach competition"	marine world –	about the	post: to	high-quality	competition	
17.04	event: an interactive	<u>video</u>	marine world –	present the	footage as a	<u>event</u>	
	activity to get the		<u>website's blog</u>	" <i>Easter"</i> event	memory of the		
	family more involved,	12pm Facebook			"Welcome" event		



	especially children, to	6pm Instagram	Share blog	- infographic			
	enjoy this		<b>post</b> on social	(Instagram)			
	volunteering		media – <u>image</u>	(inclugiant)			
	-		media <u>image</u>				
	experience like a fun						
	game		2pm LinkedIn				
			6pm Twitter				
Week 3	10am newsletter:	Social media	12pm	Social media	12pm	Interactive	
	about the "Interactive	<b>post</b> : to share	Blog post:	<b>post</b> : about	YouTube video:	workshop	
18.04 -	workshop (1) for	content from a	about the guest	which activities	high-quality	(1) for	
24.04	family" event: various	guest (nano-	experience –	will be part of	footage as a	family	
	activities for fun and	influencer/blogger)	<u>website's blog</u>	the	memory of the	<u>event</u>	
	family time outdoors	– <u>video</u>		<i>``Interactive</i>	<i>"Clean the beach</i>		
			2pm	workshop (1)	competition" and		
		12pm Facebook	Share blog	for family"	" <i>Easter</i> " event		
		<b>6pm</b> Instagram	<b>post</b> on social	event – <u>image</u>			
			media – <u>image</u>				
			(Facebook)	12pm LinkedIn			
				6pm Twitter			
Week 4	10am newsletter:	Start of social	12pm	12pm social	12pm	Walk and	
	about the "Walk and	<u>media contest</u>	Blog post:	media post:		<i>learn</i> <u>event</u>	



25.04 -	learn" event: a walk	Social media	about Greyhope	about the	YouTube video:		
01.05	along Aberdeen Beach	<b>post</b> : to explain	Bay as an "off-	coming "Walk	high-quality		
	listening to an	the social media	grid" ecological	and learn"	footage as a		
	interesting	contest – <u>video</u>	facility –	event – <u>image</u>	memory of the		
	explanation of the		website's blog	(Instagram)	"Interactive		
	nature and history of	<b>12pm</b> Facebook			workshop (1) for		
	the area	<b>6pm</b> Instagram	Share blog		<i>family</i> " event		
			<b>post</b> on social				
			media – <u>image</u>				
			2pm LinkedIn				
			6pm Twitter				
Week 5	10am newsletter:	Social media	12pm	12pm	10am	Clean the	
	about the	post: to share	Blog post:	Social media	Digital	beach	
02.05 -	sustainability of	kids playing with	about what it	post: to share	optimised press	competition	
08.05	Greyhope Bay	Dot the Dolphin –	means to be	an article	release about	<u>event</u>	
		<u>video</u>	part of the	where The	the several		
			Greyhope Bay	Press and	educative events		
		12pm Facebook	community –	Journal talks	offered by		
		<b>6pm</b> Instagram	<u>website's blog</u>	about	Greyhope Bay –		
					<u>website + sent to</u>		



			2pm Share blog post on social media – <u>image</u> (Facebook)	Greyhope Bay – <u>image</u> <b>12pm</b> LinkedIn <b>6pm</b> Twitter	Iocal/national press <b>12pm</b> YouTube video: high-quality footage as a memory of the "Walk and learn" event		
Week 6	10am newsletter:	Social media	12pm	12pm	12pm	Cycling	
	about the " <i>Cycling</i>	<b>post</b> : to share	Blog post	Social media	YouTube video:	together	
09.05 -	<i>together"</i> event:	content from a	about the	<b>post</b> : about	high-quality	<u>event</u>	
15.05	Cycling around	guest (nano-	partnership with	what it is	footage as a		
	Aberdeen City	influencer) – <u>video</u>	Northsound 1	necessary for	memory of the		
			radio –	the " <i>Cycling</i>	<i>"Clean the beach</i>		
		12pm Facebook	<u>website's blog</u>	together"	competition"		
		<b>6pm</b> Instagram		event –	event		
			Share blog	<u>infographic</u>			
			<b>post</b> on social	(Instagram)			
			media – <u>image</u>				



			<b>2pm</b> LinkedIn <b>6pm</b> Twitter				
Week 7	10am newsletter:	End of social	12pm	12pm social	12pm	Interactive	
	about the "Interactive	<u>media contest</u>	Blog post:	media post:	YouTube video:	workshop	
16.05 -	workshop (2) for		about Q&A with	about which	high-quality	(2) for	
22.05	family" event: various	Social media	the founder of	activities will	footage as a	family	
	activities for fun and	post: to announce	Greyhope Bay –	be part of the	memory of the	<u>event</u>	
	family time outdoors	contest winners –	<u>website's blog</u>	<i>"Interactive</i>	"Cycling		
		<u>video</u>		workshop (2)	<i>together"</i> event		
			Share blog	for family"			
		<b>12pm</b> Facebook	<b>post</b> on social	event – <u>image</u>			
		<b>6pm</b> Instagram	media – image				
				12pm LinkedIn			
			2pm	6pm Twitter			
			Share blog				
			<b>post</b> on social				
			media – <u>image</u>				
			(Facebook)				



10am newsletter:	Social media	12pm	12pm social	12pm	Welcome
about the " <i>Welcome</i>	<b>post</b> : to share the	Blog post:	media post:	YouTube video:	Summer
<i>Summer</i> " event	Greyhope Bay	about new	about the	high-quality	<u>event</u>
	radio experience –	school trips to	special menu	footage as a	
	<u>video</u>	Greyhope Bay –	for the	memory of the	
		<u>website's blog</u>	<i>"Welcome</i>	<i>"Interactive</i>	
	12pm Facebook		Summer"	workshop (2) for	
	<b>6pm</b> Instagram	Share blog	event – <u>image</u>	family" event	
		<b>post</b> on social	(Instagram)		
		media – <u>image</u>			
		<b>2pm</b> LinkedIn			
		6pm Twitter			
	about the " <i>Welcome</i>	about the "Welcome Summer" event Video 12pm Facebook	about the "Welcome Summer" event post: to share the Greyhope Bay radio experience - video 12pm Facebook 6pm Instagram Share blog post on social media - image 2pm LinkedIn	about the "Welcome Summer" event post: to share the Greyhope Bay radio experience - video 12pm Facebook fopm Instagram fopst on social media - image post on social media - image for the summer"	about the ``Welcome Summer'' eventpost: to share the Greyhope Bay radio experience - videoBlog post: about new about new school trips to Greyhope Bay - for themedia post: about the high-quality footage as a memory of the ``Interactive workshop (2) for12pm Facebook 6pm InstagramShare blog post on social media - imageevent - image (Instagram)family" event (Instagram)2pm LinkedInZpm LinkedInIII



### Appendix 24. Audience Persona

Persona	Digital habits	Motivations,	What do we	
demographics		goals, and needs	want to deliver?	
Name	<u>Social media and</u>	<u>Motivations</u>	A Digital PR	
Smith's family	<u>tools</u>	Strong desire for	campaign that can	
	Instagram, Facebook,	sustainability and	provide new ideas	
<u>Age</u>	email.	great love for	and activities in	
Children: 7 and 11		family.	Aberdeen for	
Mum: 36	<u>Local Interest</u>		parents and their	
Dad: 38	<u>Groups/News</u>	<u>Goals</u>	children to spend	
	Aberdeen Inspired, as it	Enjoy time	time together.	
<u>Location</u>	shows unique initiatives	outdoors after the		
Aberdeen	that represent	long period of	Relevant and	
	something new in	COVID-19.	engaging content	
	Aberdeen.		for the target	
		<u>Needs</u>	audience to	
	Press and Journal, as it	Find new and	increase	
	allows to stay up to	interesting	awareness of	
	date with the latest	activities to spend	Greyhope Bay.	
	important news.	time with the whole		
		family.		
		These activities		
		should be fun and		
		educational at the		
		same time for their		
		children.		

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