

Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point Strategy

Beach Management 2021-2024

May 2023

Project overview

The Lincolnshire coastal flood plain has a long history of flooding from the sea and many forms of defence are now in place including sand dunes, seawalls, rock/timber structures and beaches.

The Environment Agency is working with Van Oord to further reduce flood risk to 20,000 residential homes, 1,700 businesses, 24,500 static caravans, 35,000 hectares of farmland and a bustling tourist industry.

By restoring beach levels lost over the year, the Environment Agency protects its engineered sea defences from the impact of waves and tides.



Moving the sinker line pipes into position

Did you know?

Beach nourishment began on this stretch in 1994, the east coast has experienced surges greater than those seen in 1953. Due to improved defences and annual sand nourishment work we have not witnessed the same impacts.

Progress

The beach nourishment works started in May and we have completed the works at Huttoft and Mablethorpe. We will continue to move along the coast to Trusthorpe, Sutton on Sea, Boygriff, Chapel Six Marshes, Trunch Lane, Ingoldmells and Wolla Bank.

Public Access

For safety reasons, when work is taking place, sections of the beach will be closed to the public for short periods of time. We will only close the sections of the beach that we are working in. Please observe the beach closure signs, be careful with children, exercise caution with dogs and keep pets on a lead.



The dredger Vox Apolonia

Maintenance work

As part of this year's work, we are carrying out maintenance work to the splash deck in Skegness.

We have completed the concrete repairs to the wave wall and we are now in the planning stage to carry out repairs to the splash deck at the end of June.

Public access will be maintained at all times.



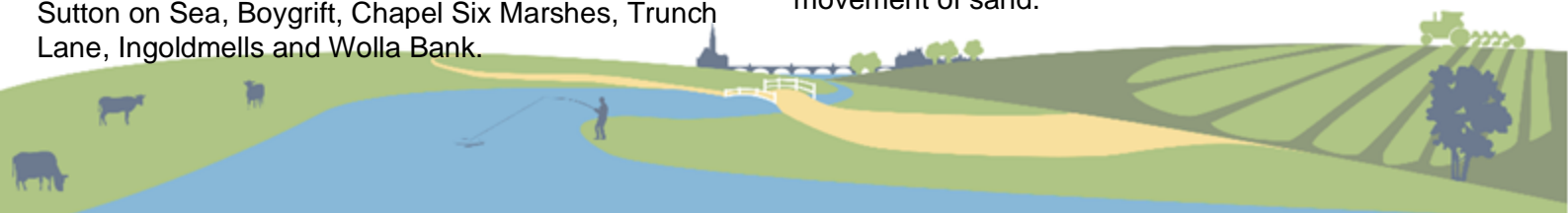
Working on the Skegness wave wall

Radar monitoring work

We are currently installing 6 radar stations along the coastline between Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point.

We are progressing well with four of the six foundations completed. The radar columns will be installed during June.

The radar columns are tall posts with a radar unit at the top which points towards the beach. The radar stations will allow us to carry out continuous monitoring of the movement of sand.



We will be working in Anderby Creek from 5 June for 10 days, to connect electricity to the radar column. The work will involve excavating a trench from the beach to the road to install the power equipment. The work will be completed in phases to maintain public access.



Anderby Creek radar column installation

Community engagement

Our Public Liaison Officers and the site team are out and about with our Public Information Unit (PIU). Our Public Liaison Officers enjoy speaking to everyone that visits the PIU, and they are looking forward to meeting more of you as we continue with the beach nourishment works.

Enter now for a chance of winning! This year we are holding a colouring competition that everyone can enter. The colouring pages and pencils are available from PIU. Pop your name, address, and contact details on the back of your coloured page and return to the PIU. A winner will be announced on 18 June.



Say hello to @HelloLampPost

Want to find out more about the work we are doing on the Lincolnshire coast? Say hello to **@HelloLampPost**.

New signs have been set up along the splash deck from Mablethorpe to Skegness to help you to find out more.

Simply scan the QR code or send a text to find out more.

Hello Lamp Post, is an innovative communication platform for us to engage with our customers and communities.



Scan me!

Hello Lamp Post places and objects to life - offering a two-way, conversation with passers-by (residents and visitors) via text message or web app.

We will be using Hello Lamp Post in addition to the existing face to face engagement activities we carry out along the coast. The signage will remain in place for 12 months.

The information that we gather from the Hello Lamp Post conversations will help to enhance the current beach management process and inform the long term strategy of the Lincolnshire Coast.

Improving the image of construction

We are proud to announce that our contractor Van Oord has achieved one of the highest scores in a recent audit and has been awarded a national certificate of Beyond Compliance for this year's work.



The Considerate Constructors Scheme aims to improve the image of the construction industry. Encouraging best practice beyond statutory requirements. Our contractor goes above and beyond to respect our community, care for our environment and value their workforce.

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<https://www.ccscheme.org.uk/>

How to find out more

We have updated our information page for 2023. The page provides more information about the work we do and plans for the future. Scan the QR

code: <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/lincolnshire-and-northamptonshire/sqp-lbm>



To visit our contractor Van Oord's webpage or scan the QR code: <https://www.vanoord.com/en/updates/saltfleet-gibraltar-point-beach-management-scheme-awarded-van-oord>



If you have any questions or concerns about the beach management works, please do not hesitate to contact our Public Liaison Officers:

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