

Stakeholder update

March 2023

Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point Beach Management 2021 - 2024

This is the third year of works under the new long-term strategy for the Lincolnshire coastline from Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point. Through this strategy we aim to create a better place for you, for future generations and the environment.

Beach nourishment

Working together with Van Oord. The Environment Agency will start this year's beach nourishment in May 2023. We will nourish the beach between Mablethorpe and Skegness. Once our surveys are complete and the programme is final, we will update you with specific locations.

As in previous years. A dredger will transport the sand from offshore sites and pump it onto the beach. Our contractor will then move the sand into the right beach profile using bulldozers and excavators. This work will replace sand lost to erosion, reducing wave overtopping during storms and protect the sea defences from damage. For safety reasons, we will close sections of beach from public access during the works.

The beach nourishment work is due to begin on 8 May 2023. Before the works can start our contractor will need to deliver the plant and equipment to the beach at Huttoft. This will be carried out using a direct access route to the beach at Moggs Eye.

Easter is a busy time along the coastline and safety is our priority. Using this new access route keeps the public and our staff safe and avoids closing the access road to Huttoft Car Terrace.

Additional work

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

Our contractor Van Oord will carry out some testing work to the splash deck before the maintenance work starts. This will include taking samples from some of the joints in the sea wall. This will start on the 8 March and will take approximately 2 days.

The maintenance works will include repairs to the splash deck, joint repairs, concrete repairs and any other necessary repairs or maintenance work we identify whilst in the area.

To carry out these works safely our contractor will need to use a small section of the North End car park to create a compound area for materials and welfare facilities.

This work will be carried out in sections and there will be a diversion in place for public access. The Coastal Path will remain open.

The plan below shows the location of the compound and the first section of the working area.



The work will carry on southwards following the yellow dotted line.

We understand that this area is popular with tourists at this time of year and to minimise disruption to the public we will stop work over Easter weekend.

These maintenance works will start on 20 March and expected to be completed by 30 June.

Radar monitoring work

We are currently awaiting planning approval from East Lindsay District Council to install 6 radar stations along the coastline between Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point.

The radar stations will allow us to carry out continuous monitoring of the movement of sand.

The radar columns are tall posts with a radar unit at the top which points towards the beach. The photo shows what the radar stations will look like

This work is currently going through the planning permission, consents, and licenses process. We are expecting a decision very soon.

Once the planning approval is in place, our contractor is hoping to start work in April. We will continue to keep you up to date on progress.



To find out more about the Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point beach management works or if you have any questions about the Strategy, please contact our Engagement Officer: **Monica Stonham on 07534 457348** or email: saltfleetgps@gmail.com