CROMER COAST PROTECTION SCHEME LIAISON GROUP

18th February 2015



COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORTH LODGE, CROMER

Present:

Cllr Angie Fitch-Tillett (Chairman)	
Peter Frew (PF)	
Brian Farrow (BF)	
Billy Gaff (BG)	North Norfolk Fisherman's Society
Andy Boyce (AB)	Cromer Preservation Society
Jo Artherton (JA)	Cromer Pier Theatre
Deb Lewis (DL)	Cromer Pier Theatre
Bruce Stratton (BS)	
Duncan Nash (DN)	Volkerstevin
Claire Nightingale (CN)	Starvin Marvins
Eric Harrison (EH)	Starvin Marvins
Lynden Greenwood (LG)	The Old Lookout
Jack Greenwood	The Old Lookout
Peter Lawton (CP)	URS
John Georgion	URS
Catherine Plewman	Cromer Town Council
Richard Leeds (RL)	Cromer RNLI and Chamber of Trade
Sharon Garth (SG).	

1.	Welcome	
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	Apologies	
	Apologies Emma Marsh – Volkerstevin Cllr Hilary Cox - Town, District and County Councillor Cromer Rob Goodliffe – NNDC, Coastal Team Leader Carolyn Aldridge – RNLI/Henry Blogg Museum	
3.	Notes from the meeting held on 17 th December 2014	
	Amendment to Note 5, 1 st Para - Delete –Groynes work and beacons at 2a and 2b have been completed, Insert – Work to Groynes 1 and 3 has been completed,	
	With this change the notes from the meeting held on the 21 st January 2015 were agreed as a true and accurate record.	

4.	Actions/Matters Arising	٦
	 Matters Arising Volkerstevin made a presentation to Cabinet requesting to work beyond the programmed end date of March 2015 and continue to work into April through to July. The Cabinet declined the request to extend the programmed end of March 2015 work date to avoid any effect to Businesses and the Tourism. Cabinet did agree to work on the final stage of the project to start mid-September. 	
	AB found it interesting that this group agreed for work to continue through to July but the District Councillors for Cromer and the Cabinet voted against it.	
5.	Updates on where we are now, programme of works and other matters	
	 Work will continue to the west side of the pier at Section 2 – access via the white steps and zig-zag slope will be closed end of February/beginning of March, and Section 3 between the groynes, the arcade and under the pier, and the groynes on the east side of the pier. Work on section 5 – the cast slabbing to the pier apron will be sporadic and dependent on tides. The intention is to complete all groyne work however tides may not allow seaward ends to be completed. Section 5 around and under the pier will be made safe and available to the public at the end of this phase of work. There will be no work on the forecourt before 31st March. 	
	Questions and Comments	
	RL slopes to the beach on the east side the wall is unsafe, what will be done to rectify this. DN replied that the slopes will be made safe and a handrail will be erected instead of repairing the wall.	
	BF asked if the timberwork on the pier forecourt covering the art work would be removed. DN said if the timber was left VolkerStevin would be liable but would prefer to leave.	
	AB asked if the handrail on the east side would be permanent. DN replied this was only a temporary thing.	
	CN asked when the work to repair the plinth that her business unit stands on; which was currently being used for storage, will be done. CN also asked if there would be any possibility of having access to the plinth 1 week prior to the 31 st March. DN said that 1 week before was not possible but a couple of days might be possible and asked CN to liaise with Emma Marsh.	
4.	Publicity	
	DN told the meeting that Emma Marsh has produced and circulated the Volkerstevin newsletter.	
	BF said that the NNDC media team were putting together a press release about where we are now and the September start date, which would be released mid to end to March just before closedown.	

	JA thanked Emma Marsh for mentioning the pier in her newsletter.	
5.	Future Arrangements and Next Meeting	
	 The next meeting has been arranged for 18th March 15 – North Lodge, Cromer – 2 pm 	
	The Chairman tendered her apologies for this meeting as she was attending a meeting about future coastal management. Cllr Hilary Cox will Chair the meeting in her absence.	
6.	<u>A.O.B</u>	
	RL asked if the sheet piling was staying. DN replied that it would be removed.	
	BG asked if the beacons were being put back on. PL replied 1 had been replaced. DN said the main beacon on the east side had been done but not on the west but the gabions had been done.	
	The meeting closed at 2:40 pm.	