

EAST HEAD COASTAL ISSUES ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

West Wittering Football Pavilion
18th May 2016

MINUTES

Present:	Dominic Henly (DH) James Crespi (JC) Patrick Byrne (PB) Keith Martin (KM) Jayne Field (JF) Stella Hadley (SH) Lisa Trownson (LT) Mark Wardle (MW) Richard Craven (RC) Emily Last (EL) Uwe Dornbusch	Chichester District Council (CDC) West Wittering Estate (WWE) West Wittering Estate (WWE) West Wittering Parish Council (WWPC) Natural England (NE) Cakeham Manor Estate (CME) National Trust (NT) National Trust (NT) Chichester Harbour Conservancy (CHC) Eastern Solent Coastal Partnership (ESCP) Environmental Agency (EA)
Apologies:	Richard Shrubb F.G. Woodier Trust (FGWT)	

Item		Action
1	Site visit to Hinge 9.30am	
2	<p>Review of previous minutes</p> <p>JF commented on the policy stated in the last minutes concerning WWE carrying out emergency work without consultation. JC confirmed that other than 'fencing a damaged area off' no additional work would be undertaken without NT consent.</p> <p>SH to send Cakeham coastal survey to the group.</p> <p>DH confirmed the Trigger Point document had been sent to the group and that ECHIAG annual subscriptions had been paid by all members.</p> <p>LT explained the video project had not gone any further but she had found some good examples of coastal change media and will pick the project back up again.</p> <p>The group discussed the option to plant Marram grass on the newly formed shingle bank. All agreed that it was holding up well and with the heavy footfall it will experience over the summer, no grass will be planted but the group will review post summer.</p>	

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3,4,5	<p>Asset Condition Update, Monitoring and Engagement and Identity</p> <p>JC handed out document illustrating the asset and key areas. Sections 1 and 2 have now been reopened to the public. Section 2 in particular shows promising signs of a new beach forming and is an excellent example of adaptive management / natural processes in action. Section 3 contains a large sink hole that has appeared. At present the area is fenced off but the group discussed the option of making a temporary repair to the Breastwork to allow WWE to fill in the hole. This repair, like the other at Section 1 will be taken out after the school summer holiday period in time for the autumn and winter tides. JF agreed, JC will email JF to obtain official approval. Section 4 - small hole appeared and as per section 3, a temporary repair will be made then removed.</p> <p>JC will send round photos pre and post repair to the group.</p> <p>LT confirmed her photographic survey will include sections 1-4 of the asset. LT will investigate Drop Box options to allow the group access to the photo library. LT will also circulate map that shows point's photographs will be taken.</p> <p>KM requested some lower res images suitable for the Parish Council Website. JC to send KM before and after images of section 1 and 2.</p> <p>UD stated that the aerial photography will be updated this year with a new survey being undertaken.</p> <p>DH explained the missing panels on G22 will be repaired along with the 'leaning' cardinal marker located on the following groyne.</p> <p>LT explained that the signage project is underway and suggested the group would benefit from having its own logo instead of using each member's individual logo. The group agreed this is a good idea and gives ECHIAG identity. LT and MW stated that the ECHIAG partnership is regarded within the NT as a model way of working and as such welcomed the use of an ECHIAG logo around the asset.</p> <p>KM expressed concerns as to how signage would be displayed and suggested a guideline be put in place to ensure key decisions are made through the correct channels. LT and JC will begin to draft options and circulate to the group for approval. The group picked option 2 regarding the logo, LT will have this designed in a digital format.</p> <p>RC suggested greater involvement in terms of active talks on the asset. He explained that CHC already carry out several talks about the area. KM suggested expanding on the CHC walk and talks as they are already established. Group agreed, DH and MW suggested scheduling the talk over the winter months so people can see the asset up against typical 'wave action' it experiences at this time. RC to suggest a viable date.</p>	<p>JC/JF</p> <p>JC</p> <p>LT</p> <p>JC</p> <p></p> <p>DH</p> <p>LT/JC</p> <p>LT/JC</p> <p>RC</p>

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6	<p>Collating Lessons Learned</p> <p>UD suggested that the ECHIAG partnership and its Adaptive Management approach has been successful to date and as such, learnings and experience could be collated in order to benefit other projects around the country's coastline. UD stated that he had met a student undertaking a dissertation that could cover such topics but then suggested that David Lowsely is best suited to write the document. The group agreed, DH will ask DL as to whether he is interested and any associated costs.</p> <p>JF stated that the Conservancy are consulting on shoreline defense policies and would like to advise them of the adaptive management process undertaken by ECHIAG - group supported this.</p>	DH
7	<p>AOB</p> <p>UD raised the issue of funds available to ECHIAG as there are several projects that could be undertaken. DH will investigate and determine the ECHIAG budget in time for the next meeting.</p> <p>EL informed the group that the ESCP will now attend the ECHIAG meetings</p>	DH
8	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>2nd November 9.30am - meet at the hinge.</p>	