

CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL

16 November 2022

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For the period October to November 2022

1 Progress on Portfolio Matters.

Cromer Phase 2 and Mundesley Coast Protection Scheme – Progress Update

Submitted additional funding requests to the Environment Agency.

Coastal Protection Maintenance October:

- Post season beach access inspection, from Weybourne to Cart Gap, Happisburgh, was carried out between 15th September and 3rd October 2022.

Cromer:

- Groyne 6 repair and repaint
- Groyne 2A plank fixed
- Groyne 2B repair works Remedial concreting works completed to a section of apron east of the pier

Overstrand:

- Moved timber from Muckleburgh to Overstrand for revetment works
- Removed exposed timber stubs to beach level of an old groyne
- Repair ongoing to block revetment structure at Overstrand
- Installation of an additional step in Overstrand to ease the use of the step

Sheringham:

- Repair works to one beacon in Sheringham. A second beacon that had failed has been removed, with the hope of up righting it in the near future.

Coastal Transition Accelerator Fund

- Internal cross council officer and member workshops were held which helped to identify potential shared benefits, delivery options etc. to ensure the value of the opportunity is maximised.
- A CTAP Programme Manager has been appointed.
- To secure the full funds an Outline Business Case must be submitted to the Environment Agency by the end of the financial year, this is underway.
- A report will be developed for Cabinet approval regarding the governance arrangement of the project and delegation of specific

items to ensure continued pace of development and delivery and to take advantage of opportunities as they are identified.

Coastal Loss Innovative Funding and Finance

Both reports have now been received and can be found at [Coastal Partnership East | Coast Management \(coasteast.org.uk\)](https://www.coasteast.org.uk) and [Home | Coastal Loss Innovative Funding and Financing \(CLIFF\) \(north-norfolk.gov.uk\)](https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk). A workshop involving key national interested parties, as well as those who had worked on the project to date, was held to outline Phase 1 and to discuss the next steps. Further work is now underway to integrate taking the outputs forward through integrating with CTAP (see above) and CPE resilient Coast Project (GYBC and ESC), wider Local Authority projects and the Environment Agency.

Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document

The Coastal SPD document has now been drafted, after responding to comments received during a limited stakeholder consultation with statutory bodies and development management colleagues. It will be presented to local planning authorities during November and December, with public consultation anticipated to begin in January.

Shoreline Management Plan Refresh

Currently the SMPs (in North Norfolk SMP5 Hunstanton to Kelling Hard and SMP6 Kelling Hard to Lowestoft Ness) are part of a national refresh process. Recent work has included updating the SMP Action Plans in line with the updated national guidance and to consider recommendations from nationally completed health checks of each SMP. Cllr Fitch-Tillett has been appointed to the Elected Member Forum for the SMP areas which extend from Hunstanton to Gibraltar Point.

Sandscaping Monitoring

Monitoring has just been collected for 2022 and we will await the details of this for more current analysis. Early indications are that there remain significant volumes (including the sub tidal bar) on the beach and nearshore profile as would be expected and the scheme continues to perform. It is also noted that this past year has seen significant improvements to beach levels north of the placement at Mundesley.

2 Forthcoming Activities and Developments.

Local Government Association Special Interest Group Adaptation Working Group

A report will be available in early November and this will inform upcoming All Party Parliamentary Group discussions about coast and climate change as well as be used for broader cross-government discussions about who else needs to be involved in creating resilient coasts.

- **Coastal Transition Accelerator Programme** - Report will be developed for Cabinet approval regarding the governance arrangement of the project and delegation of specific items to ensure continued pace of development and delivery and to take advantage of opportunities as they are identified.
- **Coastal Loss Innovative Funding and Finance** – Workshop to be held with officers from Coastal Partnership East, Environment Agency and East Riding of Yorkshire, to explore how CLIFF can fit into CTAP, Flood and Coastal Resilience Innovation Programme, and other activities.
- **Coastal Supplementary Planning Document** – To be presented to local planning authorities during November and December, and go out to public consultation in the new year.
- Meeting of Sandscaping Monitoring Committee to review and agree monitoring.

3 Meetings attended

Northrepps Parish Council
 Overstrand Parish Council
 Trimingham Parish Council
 RFCC -East Local Choices
 Town & Parish Council Forum
 CLIFF Workshop
 NCP FIPL Presentation to Landowners adjacent to River Mun
 CTAP Workshop
 LGA Coastal SIG AGM
 ADA Board Meeting
 NCP Dark Skies Event Launch Event
 Norfolk & Suffolk Coast & Estuaries Conference
 WNNMP Presentation from Eastern IFCA
 Chaired Employment Action Committee
 RFCC East
 Members Update on Nutrient Neutrality
 Cabinet Business Planning
 Balfour Beatty Lunch & Learn “Climate Emergency”
 Development Committee
 KLBC SMP Refresh
 Broads IDB
 Chaired Norfolk Coastal Forum
 Norfolk Rivers IDB
 Cabinet
 Scrutiny ADA Conference
 WNNMP Advisory Group
 Cabinet Working Party – Projects
 Balfour Beatty Lunch & Learn TBA