

# East Head Coastal Issues Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

## 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 at West Wittering Estate

### Present:

Dominic Henly (DH)	Chichester District Council
Max Ambrose (MA)	West Wittering Estate PLC
Jamie Byrne (JB)	West Wittering Estate PLC
Richard Pollard (RP)	West Wittering Estate PLC
Angela Marlow (AM)	Natural England
Lee Walther (LW)	National Trust
Stuart Dobbin (SD)	Woodger Trust (Site visit only)
Keith Martin (KM)	West Wittering Parish Council

### Apologies :

Patrick Byrne	Cakeham Manor Estate
David Lowsley	Independent Expert
Andy Pearce	Coastal Partners
Richard Craven	Harbour Conservancy
Nicolette Pike	West Wittering Parish Council
Lisa Trownson	National Trust
Uwe Dornbusch	Environment Agency

#### 1. Site Visit to East Head

The group visited the recently completed work at Groyne 19  
Stuart Dobbin left after the site visit.

#### 2. Changes / update from WWE

MA briefed the group on the recent work undertaken around G19. It had been a year since the last meeting, which was held just after the installation of a shingle bund and the additional winter was completed. A natural beach has formed, old infrastructure has been removed and in general, the area looks clean and natural. It was mentioned that beach levels have risen and fallen over the past year and they are currently at their highest level, each bay section has a healthy amount of material in place.  
MA commented that the area has been well received and from WWE's point of view, the additional winter parking spaces have been hugely beneficial.

#### 3. Next Steps – Action / Monitoring

- A) There is a small section of groyne breastwork that is in poor condition at the top of C22, the group has agreed that the sharp metal will be lowered to remove the risk of injury.
- B) C19 will be lowered to limit the impact of waves damaging the area behind the groyne. WWE will complete the work and will aim to complete this before Easter.

#### 4. Public Engagement

KM suggested we should release an update on the hinge as there hasn't been one for some time. DH will send an update around to group members who can post the information on their websites.

#### 5. AOB

DH to send a link to users regarding National Coastal Monitoring

##### **Date of Next Meeting**

**The group agreed that we could now move to have a meeting once a year unless there were any significant changes. Next Meeting March 2024 TBC**